



**2026 4-H Livestock Scholarship Application**

**Purpose**

To provide financial assistance to those high school and college students who intend to pursue or who are pursuing higher education, at the discretion of the scholarship committee.

**Eligibility**

Applicant must be a Dutchess County 4-H Member in good standing in the 4-H Program at the time of high school graduation or equivalent, such as receiving a General Education Diploma (GED) and must have sold an animal in the Dutchess County Youth (formerly 4-H) Livestock Sale in their junior or senior year of high school or equivalent. No one over the age of 25 as of December 31<sup>st</sup> of the application year is eligible.

**Deadline**

Student must submit their application to [dutchess4hsale@gmail.com](mailto:dutchess4hsale@gmail.com) no later than **July 15, 2026**.

**Scoring**

Applications will be judged on the following criteria:

Essay	15%
Community service & leadership	25%
Sale participation (4% for each year selling in sale, max 40%)	40%
Completion and quality of Application	10%
Academic achievements	<u>10%</u>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Instructions**

Make sure that you complete the entire application according to the directions. Return the completed application to [dutchess4hsale@gmail.com](mailto:dutchess4hsale@gmail.com) by June 30, 2024. The Selection Committee is looking for well-rounded applicants and will base its decision on a variety of criteria, including academics, community service and Youth Livestock Sale participation, as well as the completion and quality of your application.

**Checklist** (details for each requirement are in the application)

- Scholarship application completed electronically in full, including essay.
- Transcript:  
 For **high school seniors** from Grade 9 through 1<sup>st</sup> semester of Grade 12  
 For **college students** from Grade 9 through Grade 12 **and** college transcript through 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the current academic/school year

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Indicate which scholarship you are applying for by double-clicking on the appropriate box:

COLLEGE ENTRANT  CURRENT COLLEGE STUDENT  VOCATIONAL SCHOOL/OTHER

NAME OF APPLICANT: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: STREET: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_ \_\_SEX: M  F  O

CELL PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE POINT AVERAGE \_\_\_\_\_ RANK IN CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S)

OCCUPATION

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**NAMES OF BROTHERS/SISTERS**

**ATTENDING COLLEGE**

Y  N

Y  N

Y  N

**IF CURRENTLY AT COLLEGE, NAME OF INSTITUTION THAT YOU ARE ATTENDING**

**NOT CURRENTLY ATTENDING COLLEGE, HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED? Y  N**   
**IF YES, WHERE**

**MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY OR OCCUPATIONAL INTEREST**

**EXPLAIN YOUR CAREER GOALS**

**RECORD OF PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES** (List of offices held, if any)

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**COMMUNITY SERVICE** (Church, clubs, organizations, etc.)

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**AWARDS RECEIVED** (School, community, clubs, organizations, etc.)

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**RECORD OF PARTICIPATION IN DUTCHESS COUNTY YOUTH/4-H LIVESTOCK SALE**

(How many years you have entered, type of involvement, awards, etc.)

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**WORK EXPERIENCE** (List of dates, employers and duties to include paid and volunteer work)

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO SUPPORT APPLICATION**

(e.g., accomplishments, ways you have helped others, how a scholarship will help you)

**TRANSCRIPT**

**High school seniors:** Please attach a transcript from Grade 9 through 1<sup>st</sup> semester Grade 12.

**College students:** Please attach a transcript from Grade 9 through Grade 12 **and** a college transcript through 1<sup>st</sup> semester of the current academic/school year.

**FILING DEADLINE**

Your application must be received by [dutchess4hsale@gmail.com](mailto:dutchess4hsale@gmail.com) by July 15, 2026

**QUESTIONS:** Submit any questions to [dutchess4hsale@gmail.com](mailto:dutchess4hsale@gmail.com) by July 8, 2026

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Signature of Applicant

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

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Date signed

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Date signed

**2026 4-H Livestock Scholarship Application Essay**

**NAME OF APPLICANT**

**ESSAY (500-1000 words)**

Describe how 4-H has positively impacted your life.

