



2021 PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Procedures, Rules, Expectations, and Application

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Please use this email address <u>pafsscholarapp@gmail.com</u> to report any technical issues with the 2021 Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Application

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED BY SEPTEMBER 15, no later than 11:59 p.m. EST

This application will only be considered for scholarships from the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation.

The Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation will award cash scholarships to outstanding students who have participated in the Pennsylvania Farm Show. This is a highly competitive, prestigious grant program and to be considered it is important that the applicant adhere to the specifications and requirements of all application procedures.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Applications must be typed, by the applicant, be completed in full, and be accompanied by all required documentation and submitted via email. Applications must be submitted no later than September 15, for evaluation, rating and selection. The auto generated email inbox date and time will serve as the timestamp for all applications.

The completed applications should be emailed to: pafsscholarapp@gmail.com

SUBMISSION TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES AND APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

If you experience additional technical difficulties or application questions, please contact the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Committee by emailing <u>pafsscholarapp@gmail.com</u> or by calling one of the following committee members:

Brennan Register 570.660.1825 Cheryl Fairbairn 484.614.7183 Sally Turner 814.342.2474 You will receive a response within the next two business days.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY:

To qualify for this scholarship, the applicant must be a current or previous member of 4-H and/or FFA. The applicant must have exhibited in at least one of the following shows/areas at the Pennsylvania Farm Show:

- a junior breeding meat goat, beef, or sheep in 2010 or later
- a junior dairy goat or dairy cattle in 2010 or later
- a junior market steer, lamb, hog or goat in 2010 or later
- a farm product/family living project in 2010 or later
- a rabbit or meat pen in 2018 or later

Awards are based on Pennsylvania Farm Show participation and volunteerism, academics, financial need, 4-H and/or FFA involvement and community service as determined from the application and letters of support.

Awards are based on merit and do not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, national origin or religious belief. Documented financial need is not required, but consideration will be given to those with documented need.

POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT/DOCUMENTATION:

The applicant must hold a high school diploma or the equivalent, and must be enrolled in a degree or certification program at a post-secondary educational institution (college, university, trade or technical school). You must submit a copy of the current semester tuition bill or a current Bursar's Office statement.

UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT:

Each applicant must attach an unofficial transcript from his/her post-secondary institution if he/she has completed one or more semesters.

This criterion is to demonstrate that the applicant is both qualified and committed to an educational institution.

ACTIVITIES:

Leadership potential and character of the applicant should be demonstrated through an applicant's responses to the categories of the application detailing 4-H and/or FFA, school, extracurricular and community activities, as well as achievements.

VOLUNTEER NARRATIVE:

The Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation places great value in volunteer activities. This is an opportunity to list volunteer activities and describe how those experiences have benefited you. Limited to the space provided.

PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW NARRATIVE:

A narrative will provide more information about the applicant. Portions of this information may be used in publications or news releases. Please provide the following information:

- (1) How your 4-H and/or FFA activities have benefited your education, personal development and community.
- (2) How you have benefited from exhibiting projects at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.
- (3) How you plan to use your education to contribute to agriculture or society in general.
- (4) What are your future goals and aspirations?
- (5) Any special circumstances which make it especially difficult to afford your education.

PHOTO:

Each applicant must furnish a recent high-quality photograph in a jpeg format that is no smaller than 4x6 inches. If able, it is preferred for the photograph to be at 300 dpi. Do not send cell phone, Polaroid or instant photos. The photoshould only include the applicant and must be attached with the application. These photos should professionally represent the applicant, as they will be used for news releases and the award program.

REFERENCES:

Each applicant must submit three letters of personal reference. References are preferred to be typed and must include the name, address, and daytime phone number of the person making the recommendation, as well as an indication of the person's relationship to the applicant (teacher, minister, employer, etc.) Family members may not serve as a reference for the applicant. References should indicate knowledge of applicant's character, determination to pursue a post-secondary education, and any other factors which will assist evaluation. One of these references must be the applicant's High School Agricultural Education Teacher or a County Extension Educator with whom the applicant has worked. All references must be sent with the application by the applicant via email. The attachment's name for the reference letters must follow the file name format: Applicant Last Name, Applicant First Name Initials of Reference

DEADLINE: Application must be submitted <u>no later than</u> September 15, at 11:59 p.m. EST The auto generated email inbox date and time will serve as the timestamp for all applications.

EVALUATION PROCEDURE:

For the purpose of evaluation of applicants, the selection committees chosen by the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation will review all properly completed applications. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.** If information in the application does not apply to you do not leave an item blank, use N/A.

An evaluation sheet will be used as part of the evaluation process for each application and scored individually on the basis of the criteria outlined in the *Applicant Eligibility* section. The recommendations of the scholarship selection committee will be referred to the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation Board of Directors for final approval.

NOTIFICATION OF RECIPIENTS:

All applicants will receive an automated email receipt confirming delivery of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship application. Recipients of the scholarship award will receive written notification by the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation in December 2020. The scholarship will be presented at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Junior Livestock Sale, held in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Farm Show or via any other method determined by the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation.

PAYMENT OF STIPEND:

Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the recipient at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Sale of Champions or via any other method determined by the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation. *The recipient must comply with all scholarship policies of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation.*

- **A student may receive the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation award one time only.
- **Application materials will not be returned and become the property of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation.
- ** Applicants who do not receive a scholarship are encouraged to apply in subsequent years.

DISCLAIMER:

The Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation will award the 2021 Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarships based on the availability of funds. Due to COVID-19 and the order in place at the time of release of the scholarship application, it is unclear whether the 2021 Pennsylvania Farm Show will be authorized to operate at full capacity which could impact the funds available to award.

PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION 2021 APPLICATION CHECKLIST

<u>APPLICAT</u>	CION ATTACHMENTS:
	Completed application
	References (3) attached
	Unofficial transcript obtained and attached (if applicable)

Proof of enrollment (i.e. tuition bill or current statement from the Bursar's Office)

Photo attached in jpeg format. (File name: Applicant Last Name, First Name.jpeg)

Note: Email the completed application, photo, and references to the email address on Page 2. Please be sure that the fillable PDF file saved with the completed information, as blank applications will not be accepted. If preferred, applicants may print out the completed application and scan it back into the computer to submit.

PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION 2021 APPLICATION

ABOUT THE APPLICANT:			
Full Name of Applicant:			
Name you prefer to be called:		Male	Female
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY):			
HOME ADDRESS:			
Street Address:			
City:	Zip Code:		
County:			
Preferred Phone Number:		Current E-Mail add	ress:
Family Information:			
Father's/Guardian's Name:			
Preferred Phone Number:			
Mother's/Guardian's Name:			

Preferred Phone Number:

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Name of High School:		Date of graduation (MM/YY):				
Your scholastic average for high school	ıl:	Gra	ade scale:			
(If scholastic average is not a numerica ex. 3.87 on 4.0 scale.)	al percent (ex. 98.6%),	it must be presented wi	ith the grade scale on which	ch it is based -		
High School (Only) Activities, E	Ionors, Awards:					
In the space below, list any offices held a check mark in each applicable grade				Please place		
Activity, Honors, or Awards	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior		
Name of Post-Secondary Institution at	tending:					
Location of Institution (City/State):						
Degree or Certification sought:						
What is your major or field of study?:						
What is your planned career?:						
Date beginning post-secondary education (MM/YY): Semesters completed:						
Anticipated graduation date (MM/YY)):					
College GPA**(if applicable):						
**You must provide an Unofficial Trans	cript after one or more	e semesters have been co	mpleted in your post-secon	dary		

education.

COLLEGE (ONLY) ACTIVITIES, HONORS, or AWARDS:

In the spaces below, list any membership in clubs, professional and/or social organizations, offices held, extra-curricular activities, or awards received in college. Please place a check mark in the appropriate box.

Years

Activity or Award:	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT: 2010-2020

A. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES (ONLY)

In the spaces below, please outline any activities, leadership roles and committees in which you participated, and indicate any special recognition you may have received and the year. **Do not include 4-H and FFA activities, honors, or awards.**

Activity (one activity per line):	Years(YY-YY)	Total Years:

B. 4-H AND FFA OFFICES AND LEADERSHIP ROLES, COMPETITIONS, HONORS, AND AWARDS (ONLY): 2010-2020

Individual Competitions (one per line): Years (YY-YY) Total Years: Team Competitions (one per line): Years (YY-YY) Total Years:	Offices Held and Leadership Roles (one per line):	Years (YY-YY)	Total Years:
	Individual Competitions (one per line):	Years (YY-YY)	Total Years:
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Honors and Awards (one per line): Years (YY-YY) Total Years:	Honors and Awards (one per line):	Years (YY-YY)	Total Years:
Other Volunteering, Fundraising, etc. (one per line): Years (YY-YY) Total Years:	Other Volunteering Fundraising etc. (one per line)	Vears (VV VV)	Total Vegree
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FARM SHOW INVOLVEMENT:

Please indicate the years that you have shown at the PA Farm Show as a 4-H or FFA member and indicate the species/project exhibited by placing a check in the appropriate boxes.

Calendar Year	Mkt Steer/MS	Mkt Lamb/ROG/MS	Mkt Swine/ROG/MS	Mkt Goat/MS	Meat Pen (Rabbit)	Junior Shepherd's Contest
2010					N/A	
2011					N/A	
2012		N/A			N/A	
2013		N/A			N/A	
2014		N/A			N/A	
2015		N/A	N/A		N/A	
2016		N/A	N/A		N/A	
2017		N/A	N/A		N/A	
2018		N/A	N/A			
2019		N/A	N/A			
2020		N/A	N/A			

A. JR. MKT ANIMALS: *** ROG = Rate of Gain MS = Master Showman

B. JR. BREEDING ANIMALS/JR. DAIRY ANIMALS

Year	Jr. Be Breedin	Jr. Sh Breedii		Goat ng/MS	Youth Dairy Cattle	Dairy Cattle Showmanship	Dairy Goat Showmanship	Rabbit
2010								N/A
2011								N/A
2012								N/A
2013								N/A
2014								N/A
2015								N/A
2016								N/A
2017								N/A
2018								
2019								
2020								

C. FARM PRODUCTS/FAMILY LIVING:

Year	Clothing & Textiles	Photography	Foods- Baking & Canning	Stage Demo	Crafts	Corn & Grains	4-H Opportunities (including rabbit and cavy posters)
2010							
2011							
2012							
2013							
2014							
2015							
2016							
2017							
2018							
2019							
2020							

Year	*Special Contests	Vegetables & Potatoes	Fruits & Nuts	Apiary & Maple	Christmas Trees	Hay & Straw	Horticulture
2010							
2011							
2012							
2013							
2014							
2015							
2016							
2017							
2018							
2019							
2020							

^{*}Please identify the special contest indicated above:

FARM SHOW VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES:

A. Activities in a Livestock Area, Family Living Area or Farm Product Area

Please list designated volunteer activities in which you have participated (i.e. Supreme Showmanship Contest). Contact Department Chairs listed in the Pennsylvania Farm Show Premium Guide on the Pennsylvania Farm Show website (www.farmshow.pa.gov) for volunteer opportunities.

	Activity	Total Years
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
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8		
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10		

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Fari	Farm Show Volunteer Written Experience								
Plea	Please describe your volunteer experiences at the Pennsylvania Farm Show, including the hours you invested,								
and	how these experiences have benefited you limited to the space provided below.								
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PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW NARRATIVE:		
Please provide the following information:		
(1) How your 4-H and/or FFA activities have benefited your education, personal development and community.		
(2) How you have benefited from exhibiting projects at the Pennsylvania Farm Show.		
(3) How the applicant plans to use his/her education to contribute to agriculture or society in general.		
(4) What are the applicant's goals and aspirations?		
(5) Any special circumstances which make it especially difficult to afford their education.		
The following narrative should be no more than 300 words max.		

See Above:	

Bio Template

Please complete the following information. In the event that you are selected as a scholarship recipient, this information will be used to introduce you at the Pennsylvania Farm Show and to create a press release.		
Name:	Preferred Name:	
Home Address:		
County:		
Parent's/Guardian's Name(s) and Address(s):		
	Grad. Date (MM/YY):	
Iattend/will attend (check one) the following Univ	ersity:	
I amstudying/ plan to study (check one) the follow	ving major:	
Anticipated Graduation Date (MM/YY):		
Current Class as of January 1, 2021 (check one):Fresh	nmanSophomoreJuniorSenior	
My future career goals include:		
4-H Club(s) of which you are/were a member and any lead	dership roles you held:	
	ndership roles you held:	
	Farm Show?	
Pennsylvania Farm Show competitions in which you have	participated:	
	participate and any leadership roles you hold:	

Current community activities or volunteer programs in which you participate:		
Please list any special accomplishments or awards:		

Signature of Applicant:	Date (MM/DD/YY):	
I further attest that I am a student in good standing with the academic committed any acts or failed to do anything that would affect my good have been initiated or are pending against me by this institution.	* 11	
If selected to receive a Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship, I unde program, use the scholarship to further my post-secondary education Scholarship Foundation.		
Disclaimer:		
Applicants grant the Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation and authorized Foundation contributor's permission to use their names, information and likeness in connection with scholarship publicity and media releases.		
Signature of Applicant:	Date (MM/DD/YY):	

In support of my application for a Pennsylvania Farm Show Scholarship Foundation scholarship, I the undersigned, attest that the information submitted in the application is complete and accurate. I affirm that I have personally

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completed this application.