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*The Mission of the Otsego County 4-H Program is:
Volunteers helping youth discover a world of opportunities for an exciting future.*

Post-Secondary Scholarship Awards Program

About the Program:

Each year the Otsego County 4-H Council sponsors up to five scholarships for graduating high school senior 4-H members. Scholarships will be up to \$500 and will be paid directly to the school of applicant's choice. These scholarships are one-time only and are awarded at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee based on the application documents and interview.

Eligibility*:

1. Applicant must have been active in 4-H for at least three years from the age of 9 to 19.
2. Applicant must be a current active 4-H member in Otsego County.**
3. Applicant will be successfully completing their high school education and receiving a diploma in May/June of the current year.
4. Applicant will be entering college/trade school during the fall semester following their high school graduation.

*Any exception to these requirements must be requested in writing, submitted to the 4-H office, and approved by the 4-H Council.

**Attendance at 6 or more Club meetings per 4-H year is required for a youth to be considered an active 4-H member.

Application Process:

1. The applicant must submit the following documents by May 15:
 - A. This application is completed in full.
 - B. Two letters of recommendation. (1 - 4-H volunteer, 1 - teacher/school, employer, or professional acquaintance. No relatives.)
 - C. Copy of Acceptance Letter from the college/vocational school that you plan to attend.
2. Submit all documents in a sealed envelope, clearly marked "Attention 4-H Council - College Scholarship Application Enclosed" to the 4-H office by the deadline.
3. The committee will review the applications and contact eligible applicants for an interview. This will be an "in-person" interview with committee representatives.
4. All applicants will be notified via email or phone of the decision after the selection process is complete.
5. The recipients of the award must submit a confirmation of enrollment by August 1st in order for payment to be sent to the college.
6. If the recipient drops out of school prior to completion of the first semester, the recipient will be responsible for repayment of this awarded scholarship to the 4-H Council.

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**This application must be completed and submitted by May 15 to the
Otsego County 4-H Office, Suite 4A-2, 800 Livingston Blvd. Gaylord, MI 49735**

Please print legibly in ink.

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School Information:

Name of current High School: _____

GPA: _____ Test Scores, if taken: ACT: _____ SAT: _____

Name of College or Vocational School: _____

Address: _____

Course of Study: _____

Degree/Certificate: _____

List your community or school activities and the year you were involved:

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4-H Involvement

Total Number of Years in 4-H: _____

List the 4-H Projects you have been active in and the number of years for each project:

(For example: Food & Nutrition, 3 years)

4-H Project Name:

Total 4-H Project Years:

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

List your 4-H Leadership involvement/positions held (club officer, committee chair, council member, etc.), the total years for each and if it was at the club or county level:

Position Title

of Years

Club/County/State Level?

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

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4-H Involvement (continued)

List any special 4-H Awards you were given (*Member of the Year, etc. Do not include yearly project pins.*):

<u>Award</u>	<u>Year</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please list any other 4-H achievements that are not listed above:

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Essay: *(Maximum of 500 words)*

How has your 4-H involvement contributed to your personal growth?

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Required Signatures:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please attach your recommendation letters and letter of acceptance from a post-secondary school to this application. Submit in a sealed envelope labeled "Attention 4-H Council - College Scholarship Application Enclosed" to the 4-H office, 800 Livingston Blvd. Suite 4A-2, Gaylord, MI 49735 by May 15, 2023.

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