



York Complex #1, Orono, ME 04469

## 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

**Application Deadlines:** Applications must be received in your county 4-H office **by March 1, 2020**. *County 4-H Staff must send approved applications to the Foundation Office to be received by March 8, 2020.*

**Eligibility:** The qualified candidate must be: 1) a current member of 4-H (enrolled by December 31, 2019) who is currently active in 4-H activities **and** 2) a graduating senior or an individual who has graduated from high school, but has delayed going to college for no more than one year. Candidates are only eligible to apply in the spring prior to entering college.

**Scholarship Awards:** Maine 4-H Foundation will award post-secondary education scholarships in May 2020. Scholarships are awarded based on a combination of demonstrated academic and 4-H excellence. Emphasis is placed on your 4-H experiences, leadership and service. Scholarships will be awarded to applicants from Maine. The Foundation's 2020 post-secondary education scholarships are:

- Maine 4-H Foundation General Post Secondary Education Scholarships
- Wayne S. Rich Scholarship - Maine in odd numbered years
- Azure Dillon 4-H Memorial Scholarship - Maine 4-Her
- Gladys E. Conant Memorial Farm Credit of Maine Scholarship (\$1,000) – Students currently enrolled at University of Maine in the College of Natural Sciences Forestry and Agriculture (NSFA). Maine 4-Her planning to continue their post-secondary education at a Maine institution whose objective is to major in a field related to commercial farming, fishing, or forest products or in another field with the intent to work in businesses related to these industries.
- Harold and Marion Chute Scholarship
- Fred Hutchinson Scholarship (awarded every other year)
- Maine Harvest Festival, Lafayette Hotels, Western Maine MacIntyre Scholarship, and others available as they are funded on an annual basis.
- Doris Roberts, H. Lawrence, and George Lawrence Humphrey 4-H Scholarship – Maine 4-Her (awarded every other year)
- Oxtou Trust (Knox and Lincoln Counties)
- Oxford County Scholarship
- Somerset County Scholarship
- Others that become available

**Receiving the Scholarship:** Recipients are asked to attend the Foundation's Annual Meeting in May 2020 to receive the scholarship in person. Scholarships range from \$500 to \$2,500 in award value.

**Payment Requirements:** Scholarships are payable upon successful completion of the first semester of school. To receive the scholarship funds, recipients must mail a completed first semester transcript to the 4-H Foundation Office.

**For Further Information:** Please call 207.615.7300. The latest information and applications for this and other Foundation-funded activities are available on the 4-H Foundation's website at <http://www.umaine.edu/4hfoundation/> and click on "Receive Funding".

**When applying, please do not send ribbons, trophies, certificates, etc. as part of your application. If you are applying for an award, please send black and white photocopied versions of your 4-H essay and resume to us and keep the original either at your county office or for yourself.**

Applications must be submitted to your county 4-H staff by March 1, 2020

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

List of schools to which you are applying: \_\_\_\_\_ Check if accepted:

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Planned field of study/major: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended career: \_\_\_\_\_

Essay: Please write a two-page essay that describes **how 4-H has shaped your life**. You should include information about who you are, your history of 4-H involvement, how you've grown as a leader and volunteer, and plans for your future. **(See the evaluation rubric sheet for details.)**

**Please include the following required materials in order, in your scholarship application:**

**Please do not send any other materials than those listed below.**

- \_\_\_ Completed 4-H Foundation scholarship application form
- \_\_\_ High school academic transcript and SAT/ACT Score
- \_\_\_ Essay: "How has 4-H shaped my life?"
- \_\_\_ 4-H Resume
- \_\_\_ Letter of recommendation from a 4-H leader or educator (not a parent/relative)
- \_\_\_ Your application must be reviewed and signed by your county 4-H staff (your application will not be accepted without this signature)
- \_\_\_ A <https://extension.umaine.edu/4hfoundation/donate/small> wallet-sized photo (to be used at the Annual Meeting for those selected to be chosen for a scholarship)

Mail your complete application to the **4-H STAFF AT YOUR COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE**. In order to ensure equity among applicants, incomplete applications will not be considered in the review process.

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Signature of County 4-H Staff

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Date