DEAR Registrar or Guidance Counselor,

On behalf of the Maine 4-H Foundation and the Waldo County Extension Association, I am pleased to announce the availability of a $1500 scholarship for a graduating senior.

**Please note; this scholarship is different from the Extension Homemakers Scholarship. We have had very few applicants in the past from your school district and would love to receive more applications and interest.**

Specifically we are searching for a deserving student who is intending to serve the community in the fields associated with the mission of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension such as agriculture, horticulture, nutrition, preventative health, health education, youth development, early childhood education and adult education.

Students can apply for this scholarship by sending a 500-1000 word essay, which must be typed and double-spaced, discussing any or all of the following:

- What ways, if any, (or any member of your family) have you been affiliated with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension (e.g. attended workshops, received assistance from an Extension Educator, used Extension bulletins, participated in 4-H or other programs, etc.)?
- What employment and/or community service/volunteer work have you done in relationship to your intended chosen field of study?
- What is your interest in pursuing your chosen field of study and what you hope to do after completing your education?

Priority will be given to students who have experience with Cooperative Extension and/or have prior experience in their chosen field of study. **The award will be presented at the Annual 4-H Foundation meeting on May 23rd.**

Please note that our evaluation criteria do not include student performance records or GPA. This was a purposeful decision in order to include those deserving applicants who may not have the best grades, but are dedicated and hard working, and may not have access to scholarships that do focus on grades. We ask that you bring this opportunity to the attention of these types of students in particular.

Students can access complete information at [www.umaine.edu/waldo](http://www.umaine.edu/waldo) and click on the link 2017 Maine 4-H Foundation & Waldo County Extension Association Scholarship. If you have questions you can contact Rick Kersbergen at richard.kersbergen@maine.edu or 1-800-287-1426 (toll free in Maine) or (207) 342-5971.

**Deadline for application is April 21st.**

Best Wishes,

Katy Green, President
Waldo County Extension Association
Scholarship Application Cover Page

Recipient’s Name ____________________________

Home Address ________________________________

Home Phone Number __________________________

Email _______________________________________

High School _________________________________

University / College/Technical Schools Applying ________________________________

University / College/Technical School Address ________________________________

Please return application with essay by April 21 to:

billiejo.pendleton@maine.edu or UMaine Extension - Scholarship
992 Waterville Rd
Waldo ME 04915

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