

**AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
HAROLD LUHN AGRICULTURAL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
ED MICHALKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
JUDY TIEMANN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
RANCHER'S RIDE IN MEMORY OF DOUGLAS & KAY MAREK**

Applications due to the Fair office by 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2025

1. Evaluation of scholarship applications and the subsequent ranking of applicants shall be the sole responsibility of a designated committee, independent of the Austin County Fair. The president of the Austin County Fair, or his appropriate designee, must approve the selections submitted by the committee. Committee members involved in the selection process are not to be considered agents of the Austin County Fair. It is their independent responsibility to rank applicants who qualify according to the policies specified herein. Such policies and those who qualify as complying with such policies shall be determined solely by the Austin County Fair.
2. Eligible applicants must be graduating high school seniors in Austin County. A current official high school transcript is required. **The official transcript MUST show the students GPA and the class ranking along with the number of students in the class. The current official transcript must be in a SEALED ENVELOPE (envelope must have been sealed by the school).**
3. Applicant must be an active member and in good standing of Texas F.F.A., 4-H or F.C.C.L.A. **To qualify, the applicant MUST have participated in the Austin County Fair a minimum of 2 years. (Example: Goats 2019-2021 or FCCLA 2019-2021). Working in the FFA/4-H coke stand, or any other volunteer work does not qualify the applicant to receive a scholarship.**
4. Scholarship recipients must be enrolled as full-time students and maintain a minimum course load of 12 semester hours (fall or spring semester) at an approved and accredited college, university or trade school and must maintain a minimum grade point average/ratio each semester of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent. Failure to complete 12 semester hours per regular semester may be grounds for termination.
5. Scholarship payments are sent directly to the college/trade school/university once the Fair office has received: (1) a copy of the schedule for the semester the scholarship amount is paying toward; (2) a copy of transcript reflecting all courses undertaken & must reflect rule #4 above; (3) an invoice with an open balance the scholarship amount will pay toward. The office must receive all this information 10 days or more prior to the due date for processing.
6. Scholarship recipients must notify the Austin County Fair Association immediately upon deciding which college, university or accredited trade school they will attend, or changes in school, major, address and other pertinent information needed to keep the student's file up to date. All correspondence and information should be sent to:

Austin County Fair Association
P.O. Box 141
Bellville, Texas 77418
979-865-5995

7. Scholarship recipients must submit a copy of their grade report to the Austin County Fair Association no later than six weeks after the conclusion of their first college semester.
8. Failure to enroll in the selected college, university or accredited trade school for a fall or spring semester will be considered grounds for termination. Inactive status (staying out of school for a designated time) may be requested by the recipient. In such cases, the Austin County Fair Association Scholarship Committee will handle the matter on an individual basis and subsequently will approve or disapprove the request based on the unique circumstances involved.
9. Failure to comply or conform to the policies stated herein will be considered grounds for termination. Scholarship funds accepted by the recipient while in violation of stated policy must be repaid in full immediately upon receiving notification. Hardship cases, which result in a deviation from stated policy, will be considered and dealt with on an individual basis.
10. This application along with a school cap & gown photograph, 1 page essay answer essay prompt on Page 2 of the application, current official High School Transcript (**in a sealed envelope**) and the check list of scholarships must be **turned into the Austin County Fair Office no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 31, 2025.** All correspondence and information required must be presented to the Fair Office in a **SEALED 9" x 12" ENVELOPE. On the outside of the sealed 9" x 12" envelope, please put the student's name, school and the scholarships for which they are applying.**

PLEASE BE SURE THAT ALL REQUIRED SIGNATURES ARE INCLUDED ON PAGE 4. THIS APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE WITHOUT ALL THE REQUIRED SIGNATURES and COMPLETED PAGES 1 – 4.

11. **Please place a check next to the scholarship(s) that you would like to apply for. Only one APPLICATION, official High School Transcript and essay are required to apply.**
12. **APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED TO BE ACCEPTED. APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE ON THE AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR WEB SITE OR MAY BE PICKED UP AT THE COUNSELORS OFFICE OR FAIR OFFICE – www.austincountyfair.com**

2025

AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR SCHOLARSHIPS

PLEASE CHECK THE SCHOLARSHIP(S) FOR WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO APPLY

Austin County Fair Memorial Scholarship

There will be a minimum of 2 scholarships awarded per school district provided the applicant is qualified. Homeschoolers will be evaluated within the district where they reside.

Harold Luhn Agricultural Memorial Scholarship

There will be 1 scholarship awarded in the amount of \$3,500. The recipient must select an approved Agricultural major field of study from the list provided.

Ed Michalke Memorial Scholarship - \$1000

There will be 1 scholarship awarded to an Austin County Fair exhibitor.

Judy Tiemann Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

There will be a scholarship awarded to 2 Austin County Fair exhibitors that have participated in the **Calf Scramble** program from a previous year or the current year.

Rancher's Ride in Memory of Douglas & Kay Marek - \$3,000

There will be 1 scholarship awarded in the amount of \$3,000. The recipient must select an approved Agricultural major field of study from the list provided.

Application must be submitted in a **sealed 9" x 12" envelope** with the following information:

1. **Application: Pages 1-4**
2. **A cap & gown photograph. These photos will be used to put in the local newspapers.**
3. **1 page essay answering essay prompt on page 2**
4. **Official High School Transcript (in Sealed Envelope)**
5. **All SIGNATURES on page 4**
6. **Check list of Scholarships that are being applied for**
7. **On the outside of the SEALED 9" x 12" envelope, please put the student's name, school and the scholarships for which they are applying**

**2025 AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
MUST BE TYPED**

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Applicant _____
Last Name First Name M.I.

Social Security Number Age
2. Home Address _____
Street, Box or Route

City and Zip Code Phone E-Mail
3. Parent's or Guardian's Names _____
Parent's or Guardian's Address _____
4. Father's or Guardian's Occupation _____ Age
Business Title Employer _____
5. Mother's or Guardian's Occupation _____ Age
Business Title Employer _____
6. Number of brother(s) and/or sister(s) now enrolled in college _____
Number of brother(s) and/or sister(s) living at home _____
7. Have you been accepted for admission to a college, trade school or university?
Yes _____ No _____
If yes, which college, trade school or university? _____
8. If not already accepted, have you made an application for admission?
Yes _____ No _____
If yes, at which college, trade school or university? _____
9. What major (course of study) do you intend to pursue? _____
10. My planned career is _____

11. Please check the Club(s) that pertain to you:

_____ 4-H Member _____ FFA Member _____ FCCLA Member

Name of Club or Chapter	Year(s) Participating
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

12. Are you applying for other scholarships _____ Yes _____ No

If the answer is yes, you must list the names, amount and indicate status as Pending, Confirmed or Rejected. The amount of the award should be reported as its total amount through expected duration. You may attach an additional sheet if necessary.

<u>Name of Award</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Status</u>
Example: Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo	Scholarship		
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

13. 1 page essay answering the following prompt: Tell us about your journey and growth through your projects, starting from your first one to the most recent. What were your initial expectations, and how did they change overtime?

14. Please submit application in a **sealed envelope** with the following:

APPLICATION: PAGES 1 – 4

A cap & gown photograph.

1 page essay answering prompt on #13

Official High School Transcript (In Sealed Envelope)

ALL signatures on page 4

**APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNLESS ALL ABOVE REQUIREMENTS
ARE SUBMITTED BY THE DEADLINE! APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED!!**

LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES IN 4-H, FFA, FCCLA

(Additional Pages May Be Added)

- A. SCHOOL OFFICES HELD, SPECIAL HONOR AWARDS & ACTIVITIES (include items as class officer, yearbook, paper, NHS, scholarships, etc.)

School Year	Office or Activity
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- B. INDIVIDUAL 4-H, FFA, FCCLA honors won, special recognition, awards, etc.

School Year	List of Awards, etc.
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- C. PARTICIPATION AT AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR (List **ALL** activities, such as exhibiting, leadership teams, judging teams, etc. **Please list the places.**)

Year(s) of Involvement	Activity
Example: 2019-2022	Show goats (2 nd Place 2022; 1 st Place 2020)
2019-2022	Livestock Judging
2019-2022	Jr. Fair Board Member
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- D. COMMUNITY SERVICE AND/OR CHURCH SERVICE

Year(s) of Service	Activity
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

We have examined this application and found the information submitted true and accurate.

DATE _____

Signed _____
Applicant

Signed _____
Parent or Guardian

Signed _____
Principal or Counselor

Signed _____
County Agent, F.F.A or F.C.C.L.A. Advisor

**PLEASE BE SURE THAT ALL SIGNATURES ARE INCLUDED.
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WITHOUT ALL THE REQUIRED SIGNATURES.**

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Approved Major Fields of Study

Plant and Soil Sciences

Agronomy
Botany
Crop Science
Floriculture
Horticulture
Plant Science
Soil Science

Animal Science

Animal Science
Animal Genetics
Dairy Science
Equine Science
Poultry Science
Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Veterinary Science
Zoology

Natural and Environmental Sciences

Aquaculture
Ecological Restoration
Ecology
Entomology/Integrated Pest Management
Environmental Conservation/Natural Resources Mgmt.
Forestry
Range Science
Renewable Natural Resources
Soil and Water Conservation
Wildlife Science

Support Curricula to Agricultural/Life Sciences

Agricultural Development/Interdisciplinary Agriculture
Agricultural Economics/Agricultural Business
Agricultural Education
Agricultural Leadership & Development
Agricultural Engineering/Mechanized Agriculture
Agricultural Journalism/Communications
Agricultural Research
Agricultural Science
Agricultural Services and Development
Agriculture and Applied Economics

Bioengineering
General Agriculture
International Agriculture Commerce
Land Use and Planning
Landscape Architecture
Production Agriculture
Rangeland Ecology and Management
Recreation and Parks