

MISSOURI LIVESTOCK SYMPOSIUM

Scholarship Application

Two \$1,000 Scholarships Awarded Annually

About This Scholarship

The Missouri Livestock Symposium is proud to award two \$1,000 scholarships each year to Missouri high school seniors who plan to continue their education at a four-year college, two-year college, or technical school. Applicants do not need to pursue an agriculture-related degree to apply, but we are especially interested in students who have demonstrated a connection to agriculture, livestock production, FFA, 4-H, or their rural community.

Instructions: Please complete every section of this application. Type or print clearly in ink. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Submission Deadline

November 13, 2026

Section 1 — Applicant Information

Full Legal Name

Preferred Name

Date of Birth

Mailing Address

City

State / ZIP

Phone Number

Email Address

Parent/Guardian Name(s)

Parent/Guardian Phone

Section 2 — Education

High School Name _____

High School City / State _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Current GPA _____

GPA Scale (e.g., 4.0) _____

Class Rank (if known) _____

List any academic honors, awards, or recognitions you have received during high school:

Section 3 — FFA, 4-H, and Agricultural Involvement

Please check all that apply:

- ☐ I am or have been a member of FFA
- ☐ I am or have been a member of 4-H
- ☐ I have been involved in agriculture in another way (described below)
- ☐ I have not been involved in FFA or 4-H, but I have personal ties to agriculture

If you are or were involved in FFA and/or 4-H, please describe your involvement, including years of membership, offices held, projects completed, and any awards earned:

Describe your personal ties to agriculture (family farm, livestock projects, working on a farm or ranch, agribusiness, etc.):

Section 4 — Leadership, Community Involvement & Work Experience

List clubs, sports, organizations, volunteer work, or church/community activities you have participated in, and any leadership roles you have held:

Section 5 — College & Continuing Education Plans

School You Plan to Attend

College City / State

Accepted? (Yes / No / Pending)

Intended Major / Program of Study

What are your career goals after completing your education?

Section 6 — Personal Essay (Required)

Essay Prompt: In 500–750 words, describe the impact that livestock and/or agriculture has had on your life. How has your involvement in agriculture shaped who you are, the values you hold, and the direction you are taking after high school? You may attach your essay on a separate page (typed, 12-point font, double-spaced).

☐ My essay is attached on a separate page.

Section 7 — Letter of Recommendation

Please submit one (1) letter of recommendation with this application. The letter should come from a teacher, FFA/4-H advisor, employer, coach, member of the clergy, or other adult (other than a family member) who can speak to your character, work ethic, and goals.

Name of Recommender _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

☐ My letter of recommendation is attached / will be submitted with this application.

Section 8 — Certification & Signature

I certify that the information contained in this application is true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing false information may result in the withdrawal of my application from consideration. I grant permission to the Missouri Livestock Symposium to verify the information provided.

Applicant Signature _____

Date _____

How to Submit Your Application

Required materials:

- Completed application form (all sections, signed)
- Personal essay (500–750 words)
- One letter of recommendation

Submit your completed application to:

Email: missourilivestock@gmail.com

Subject Line: [First and Last Name] Scholarship Application

Example: Jane Doe Scholarship Application

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Thank you for applying. We wish you the best in your continued education!