

Cody Sibbald Legacy Classic Scholarship 2026

Guidelines:

- Open to ages 16 to 21
- Agriculture background is not a requirement but an asset.
- The scholarship shall be used at a recognized post-secondary and graduate educational institutions, educational learning opportunities and trade courses.
- All applications to be submitted electronically by April 20, 2026.

Requirements:

Please submit all documents as PDF files.

- Cover letter with 1 letter of recommendation
- Essay Question response - no more than 750 words
- Short list of 4 qualified candidates will be contacted for interviews.
- The interviews are scheduled to be conducted virtually - tentatively on May 4, 2025. Details to be provided once finalists are selected.

Adjudication:

- 30% of overall evaluation for Essay Submission
 - Flow of writing
 - Relevant and strong content
 - Grammar
 - Word count
- 20% of overall evaluation for Application Submission
 - Community Involvement
 - Volunteer Work
 - Letter of recommendation
- 50% of overall evaluation based on Interview
 - 20-minute question answer period
 - Articulation
 - Confidence/Comfortableness
 - Professionalism
 - Drive/Determination
 - Passion
 - Engagement

Submission Requirements - Deadline April 20, 2026.

Please be advised that your essay submission will undergo a review for original content using plagiarism detection software. Please cite your information sources.

1. Cover Letter - Tell Us About Yourself. Below is suggested items you may want to include in the cover letter, but not mandatory.

Awards: Have you ever been formally recognized for something? (i.e. honour roll, student of the year, an award for your extracurricular activities)

Clubs: What clubs at school were you involved in? Be sure to include school plays, school newspaper and yearbook committee contributions, as well as any religious youth groups where you are a member.

Part-Time Jobs: Don't knock part-time jobs because you can explain your experiences and highlight your skills through these opportunities.

Projects: Did you work on any large projects you are particularly proud of?

Scholastic Achievement: It's not just about high marks when it comes to applications, but what you have done with the subjects you have excelled in.

School Associations: Were you involved with your school music council or athletic association? Were you a student representative for the parent-teachers association?

Sports: What was your position on a sports team? Were you the captain, co-captain, or manager? What skills did you learn?

Volunteer work at school: Volunteer opportunities do not need to exist outside of your school. (i.e. tutor, coach's assistant, office helper, library assistant, teacher's assistant, technical support)

Volunteer work out of school: Describe your duties and state what you learned because of your experiences at a local hospital, local public school, local organization, government office, community newspaper etc.

2. Letter of Recommendation – a character reference and/or highlighting transferable skills. Below is a list of suggested, but not mandatory, items you may want to include in the letter of recommendation.

- How you know the individual?
- How long you have known the person?
- What has the individual accomplished?
- Why are you recommending them?
- How to contact you for follow-up questions?

3. Essay Submission: In no more than 750 words, please discuss this topic:

Discuss the characteristics of rural communities and describe the ways in which they have influenced your experience.

4. Checklist

Scholarship Submission must include:

- 1) Cover letter - make sure your contact information is at the top of the cover letter
- 2) One letter of recommendation
- 3) Response to essay question
- 4) Send your submission to codysibaldlegacyessay@gmail.com by April 20th, 2026.