

Youth Scholarship Eligibility

- The applicant must be between the ages of 11 and 18 by December 1st of the school year.
- The applicant must be a resident of Central Ohio.
- The applicant must be currently enrolled in public, private or home school.
- The applicant must have permission and agreement from parent or guardian.
- The application must be submitted to COBA no later than **to be announced**

Scholarship Includes:

- A two-year membership in the Central Ohio Beekeepers Association (COBA).
- A beginning beekeeper school registration and textbook.
- A set of woodware (hive bodies) for a beehive.
- Bees and queen for the hive.
- Beekeeping gear including a hat, veil, gloves, varroa test kit, hive tool and bee smoker.
- Mentoring by a COBA member for one year.

Expectations of the Recipient

- This is a one-year commitment
- Must attend the designated Bee School which is held in February
- Attend the monthly COBA general meetings
- Attend the 1st year Bee Yard at OSU Waterman Farms that is held on Wednesday evenings from April through September. This is the hands-on part of learning about your bees that the club provides.
- There are 2 presentations (including a power point) you will need to give the club: 1) in August focusing on your experience with your hives so far. 2) In April – How your bees did through the fall and winter.
- Other Events are:
 - The COBA Pancake Breakfast
 - The COBA Picnic
 - The Bee Display at the Franklin County and Ohio State Fair
 - The Lithopolis Honey Fest (Your participation is a wonderful way to show others what you have learned.)
 - The End of the year COBA Award Banquet

For any questions or clarifications please contact Penelope Mishne, COBA Trustee and Youth Scholarship chairperson, phone: 614 699-0510 or email: dpmishne6506@gmail.com