

DESCRIPTION OF VERNON COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarships will be advertised in January and February. The deadline for scholarship application will be March 1. The selections will be made and letters sent by April 1.

There will be four annual scholarship recipients named:
three to current graduating high school seniors, and one to a past high school graduate (any age).
***EXCEPTION:** If there are no qualified applicants in one of the categories, then scholarships may be awarded to the other category. (The Committee has the option.)

Recipients can receive this scholarship only once.

Each scholarship is valued at \$300:

This money is derived from the interest on the Scholarship Account, not from the principal, and from the Federation.

The Scholarship Committee shall consist of three members serving a term of three years. Thus, a new member will be selected each year by the Federation. The person with the most seniority shall serve as chairperson of the committee.

Their responsibilities will include public relations, making scholarship forms available to applicants, naming the Selection Committee, and revising the form when deemed necessary. Please note: The Scholarship Committee may not be the same as the Scholarship Selection Committee. It is possible that an individual may be on both, but no parent of an applicant or anyone with close ties to an applicant shall be on the Selection Committee.

Selection of scholarship recipients will be based on the completed application form without consideration given to financial need. All information on the scholarship applications will be kept confidential by the Scholarship Committee and the Selection Committee.

Recipients will be named in April of each year with the actual money to be paid in January of the following year. The money will be awarded to the recipient upon proof that he/she is a student in good academic standing after the first grading period in a school of higher education. The recipient must also present a copy of payment for registration for the next academic period, unless course program is completed. *Recipients must be or have been a 4-H member or an adult 4-H leader.

If the recipient cannot attend college, due only to exceptional circumstances which will be decided by the Scholarship Committee, the money will be held in reserve up to a maximum of three years.

Alternates will be selected but not named. They will replace recipients only if recipients do not meet requirements at the time of disbursing scholarship money.

VERNON COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**Eligible applicants: 2010 graduating seniors
2009 or older graduates**

**Application due in Extension Office by:
4:00 p.m.
March 1, 2010**

Checklist:

- Vernon County 4-H Scholarship Application (3 pages)**
- Essay**
- Two Photographs**

Class of 2010

- High School Transcript**
- Three (3) Current Letters of Recommendation**
(one from 4-H Leader)

Post-high School Applicant

- High School and/or College Transcript**
- Three (3) Current Letters of Recommendation**

SCHOOL AND/OR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

NON 4-H AWARDS AND HONORS:

WORK EXPERIENCE, IF APPLICABLE:

SCHOOL/CAREER PLANS:

**ESSAY QUESTION: EXPLAIN WHY THE COMMITTEE SHOULD SELECT
YOU FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP**

A personal interview may be requested.

Applications from current graduating seniors must include:

high school transcript and three current letters of recommendation. One of these letters must be from a 4-H leader (other than your parent or the 4-H Youth Development Agent) and the other two can be from adults of your choice.

Applications from post-high school graduates must include:

high school and/or college transcript and three current letters of recommendation.