PENNSYLVANIA LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**A student may receive the Pennsylvania Livestock Association Scholarship award one time only. **Application materials will not be returned and become the property of PLA Scholarship Committee. **applicants who do not receive a scholarship are encouraged to apply in subsequent years. **Each scholarship will have a value of at least \$1,000.

Photo: Each applicant must furnish a recent photograph, digital preferred. Digital picture can be sent to <u>plasecretary@yahoo.com</u> with the applicant's name in the memo line. These photos will be used for press releases only and will not be sent to evaluators or returned to applicants.

References: Each applicant must submit two letters of personal reference. References may be either typed or handwritten and should include the name, address, and daytime phone number of the person making the recommendation, as well as an indication of the person's relationship to the applicant (teacher, minister, employer, relative, etc.) References should indicate knowledge of applicant's character, determination to pursue a post-secondary education and any other factors, which will assist evaluation. One of these references must be a Vo-Ag Instructor, County Extension Educator, or 4-H Leader with whom the applicant has worked. References are to be placed in a plain white envelope and sealed. The individual writing the reference is to sign across the seal. The applicant's name must be written on the front of the envelope. The applicant must send the reference letters with his/her application.

Documentation: Each applicant must verify that he/she is enrolled in an accredited post-secondary educational institution. Submitting a copy of the current semester paid tuition, tuition plus room and board bill or acceptance letter will fulfill this requirement. The documentation must indicate that tuition has been paid and the amount paid.

Deadline: Application must be postmarked no later than <u>March 15th</u>. Do not add additional pages; prioritize so that activities, etc. fit in the space provided.

Evaluation Procedure: For the purpose of evaluation of applicants, **selection committees** chosen by PLA will review all properly completed applications. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.** Applications submitted without the appropriate materials will be considered as incomplete and will not be accepted.

An evaluation sheet (p.11) will be used as part of the evaluation process for each application and scored individually on the basis of the criteria outlined in the eligibility section.

The recommendations of the scholarship evaluation committee will be referred to the PLA Scholarship Committee for final approval.

Notification of Recipients: Recipients of scholarship awards will be notified individually by the PLA Scholarship Committee. The scholarship will be presented at the KILE Opening Ceremony held in conjunction with the KILE Show.

**Recipients are expected to be present at KILE to receive their award.

Payment of Stipend: Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the recipient, at the KILE Opening Ceremony.

Disclaimer: The PLA scholarship is separate from, and not related to either the KILE Beef Scholarship or the PA Farm Show Scholarship.

APPLICATION FORM FOR PENNSYLVANIA LIVESTOCK ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

About the Applicant: Full Name of Applicant

Full Name of Applicant	
Name you prefer to be called	M F
Home Address: Street Address	Circle one
City	StateZip
County	Township
Primary Phone ()	Current E-mail address
School Address: Street Address	
City	Zip
Date of Birth	Age
Local Newspaper(s)	
Address:	
Family Information:	
Number of Brothers Siste	ers
Father's/Guardian's Name	
Daytime phone number ()	
Mother's/Guardian's Name	
Daytime phone number ()	

Name	
I. Academic Information:	
Name of High School	
Phone Number of High School	Date of graduation
Number in your graduation class	Your rank
Your scholastic average for high school	Grade scale

(If scholastic average is not a numerical percent (ex. 98.6%), it must be presented with the grade scale on which it is based - ex. 3.87 on a 4.0 scale.) Enclose transcript.

A. High School (Only) Activities, Honors, Awards:

In the spaces below, list any offices held, extracurricular activities or awards received in high school. Please place a check mark in each applicable grade box. **Do not include 4-H and FFA Activities, Honors, Awards.**

	Grades			
Activity, Honors, Awards:	Freshman	Sophomore	Junior	Senior

Name_____

B. College (Only) Activities, Honors, Awards:

In the spaces below, list any membership in clubs, professional and/or social organizations, offices held, extracurricular activities or awards received in college. Please place a check mark in the appropriate box.

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Activity or Award:	Freshman	Freshman Sophomore Junior Senio					

II. Community Involvement: (From freshman in high school to present) A. Community Activities (Only).

In the space below, please outline any activities, leadership roles and committees in which you participated, and indicate any special recognition you may have received and the year. Limit activities to the space below.

Activity:	Years (YY-YY):	Total Years:
		1

B. 4-H and FFA Offices, Awards and Leadership Roles (Only): From freshman in high school to present.

In the space below, please list any 4-H and/or FFA offices you held, awards you have received and the year. Use only space provided.

Offices/Awards:	Year

III. KILE Junior Livestock Involvement:

Please indicate the years (from freshman in high school to present) that you have shown at KILE in the Youth Division and indicate the species shown by placing a check in the appropriate boxes.

A. Market Animals:

Calendar Year	Steer	Market Lamb	Swine	Lead Line
20				
20				
20				
20				
20				

B. Equine Activities:

20	
20	
20	
20	
20	

Please indicate other KILE activities in which you have participated (from high school freshman to present), i.e., helping in a promotional booth, serving on committees, helping with information booths, helping during the show, awarding ribbons or trophies.

**Applicants are strongly encouraged to participate in KILE activities and participation is heavily weighted.

Contacts:

Livestock Handlers:

Swine – Harry Bachman 717-867-1809 Beef – Tammy Weaver 717-721-3366 Sheep – Sandy Hopple <u>shopple6@gmail.com</u> Equine – Ken Sandoe 717-269-7050

C. Breeding Animals:*

Year	Beef	Sheep
20		
20		
20		
20		
20		

*If the project was bred and owned, please indicate by placing an * next to your check mark

D. Other KILE Activities:

YEAR

	20	20	20	20	20
	_	_	_	_	_
Livestock					
Handler					
Information					
Booth at					
KILE					
Open					
Breeding					
Show					
Check-In					
(list species					
below)					
PLA Food					
Booth at					
KILE					
PLA Food					
Booth Farm					
Show					
Commodity					
Rep					

Food Stands:

Lois Rankin 717-873-2790 Martene Firestine 717-270-9232 Ned Hower 484-221-3946 Name_____

This space is provided for listing any additional information referring to Academic, High School, College, 4-H, FFA, Community Leadership and KILE Involvement. Please state this information clearly using only the space provided below. <u>Activity:</u> Section IA:	Years (YY-YY):	Total Years:
Section IB:		
Section IIA:		
Section IIB:		

Name ____

Narrative: Attach a single sheet; font not smaller than 10. "Showcase" yourself using the points under IV on the evaluation sheet

Personal References: It is the applicants responsibility to obtain and submit two references with their completed application.

References may be either typed or handwritten and should include the name, address, and daytime phone number of the person making the recommendation, as well as an indication of the person's relationship to the applicant (teacher, minister, employer, relative, etc.).

One of these references must be from a FFA Advisor, County Extension Educator or 4-H Leader with whom the applicant has worked.

References should indicate knowledge of applicant's character, determination to pursue a college education and any other factors, which will assist evaluation.

<u>References are to be placed in an envelope and sealed. The individual PROVIDING the reference must</u> sign across the seal. The applicant's name must be written on the front of the envelope. The applicant <u>MUST submit the references with his/her application.</u>

List of References:

Name

Title

Daytime Phone

Completed applications and other materials are to be sent to:

Pennsylvania Livestock Association Michael Firestine 4520 Conrad Weiser Pkwy Womelsdorf, PA 19567 In support of my application for a Pennsylvania Livestock Association Scholarship, I the undersigned, attest that the information submitted in the application is complete and accurate. I further attest that I am a student in good standing with the academic institution disclosed in my application, that I have not committed any acts or failed to do anything that would affect my good standing status and no charges or actions by this institution have been initiated or are pending against me by this institution. If selected to receive a Pennsylvania Livestock Association Scholarship, I understand I am expected to attend the scholarship presentation program, use the scholarship to further my post-secondary education.

Disclaimer:

Applicants grant the Pennsylvania Livestock Association permission to use their names, information and likeness in connection with scholarship publicity and media releases.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

APPLICATION:

- References (2) obtained and enclosed
- _____ Unofficial Transcript obtained and enclosed
- _____ School information completed
- _____ Family information completed
 - _ Photo digitally sent to <u>plasecretary@yahoo.com</u> with name in subject line

DOCUMENTATION OF TUITION PAYMENT:

Copy of tuition payment receipt or proof of acceptance to college attached

NARRATIVE:

_____ Personal paper attached

Note: The applicant's reference letters and photo must accompany the application. No exceptions are permitted.

PLA SCHOLARSHIP EVALUATION

Applicant's Name:

Evaluator's Name:

- I. Academic Information (15 points):
 - A. High school GPA
 - B. Post secondary GPA (if one or more semesters completed)
 - C. High school and college activities, honors, awards
- _ II. Community Leadership (25 points): Community activities A. 4H/FFA offices, awards, and leadership roles
 - III. KILE/PLA Involvement (25 points):
 - IV. Narrative (25 points):
 - A. What value has 4-H and/or FFA been to the applicant?
 - B. How has the applicant benefited from exhibiting livestock?
 - C. How has the applicant benefited from their livestock projects?
 - D. What contributions does the applicant plan to make to the livestock industry, agriculture, or society in general?
 - E. What are the applicant's goals and aspirations?
 - F. Are there any special conditions in regards to financial need?
 - G. Neatness
 - V. Quality of References (10 points):
 - A. Evaluate the quality of the applicant according to the chosen references
- _____ VI. Other additions or deductions
 - Total points (100+ if bonus points given)

Comments:+