

Hill Country District Junior Livestock Show Association's Ag Mechanics Scholarship

Collegiate/Vocational Scholarship Application

Scholarship Guidelines:

The goal of the Ag Mechanics Committee is to award Texas 4-H & FFA Ag Mechanics Participants scholarships to deserving applicants, regardless of their intended major. These scholarships are separate scholarships from any other scholarship awarded by the HCDJLSA.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Be a graduating High School Senior.
2. Have an overall GPA of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 system.
3. All applicants must have resided in Texas during their Jr. & Sr. year of High School.
4. All applicants must have participated in 4-H and/or FFA for at least 2 years.
5. All applicants must attend a College, University, or Vocational School.
6. All applicants must have exhibited in the Hill Country District Junior Livestock Show Association's Ag Mechanics Show any 2 of the previous 4 years. **Due to COVID-19 and the cancellation of the 2021 Hill Country District Junior Livestock Show, an entry in the 2021 Show will count towards this requirement.**

Application Requirements:

1. Complete this application in full as instructed.
2. Attach an **official copy** of your high school transcript **PLUS** an **official copy** of your SAT and/or ACT scores.
 - Applicants, who have committed to attending a Vocational or Technical School that does not require the SAT or ACT for admittance, are not required to provide one for this scholarship. However, if an applicant does not provide a SAT or ACT score and is awarded a scholarship, the scholarship will only be paid to a vocational or technical school following the confirmation of the admissions requirements of the vocational or technical school.
 - **Due to current COVID-19, HCDJLS will not require SAT/ACT scores if applicant has not been able to test.**
3. Attach the included Scholastic Record completed by your principal or counselor.
4. Attach three letters of recommendation that are *current and originally signed*.
 - a. One letter should be from each of the following people:
 - A 4-H or FFA affiliate: Your County Extension Agent, 4-H Program Coordinator, 4-H Club Manager, or your FFA agriculture teacher.
 - A personal recommendation from a non-relative.
 - An academic recommendation from a teacher or administrator.
5. Attach a 2 X 3 inch head and shoulders photograph of yourself that can be used for publicity.
6. Attach a 3 X 5 inch picture of you with your most recent HCDJLS Ag Mechanics Project.
7. All required forms, letters, & photo must come in **ONE** package.
8. **If any of the required forms, letters, photo, or application are missing, your application WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

9. All applications and ALL attachments **must be postmarked no later than March 26th**. Mail to:
HCDJLS – Ag Mechanics Dept.
c/o Lindsey Forster
P.O. Box 291217
Kerrville, TX 78029
10. Interviews will be conducted in April. You will be notified in advance of where and when your interview will be.
11. Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis. However, the total individual will be taken into consideration. Active participation in promoting agriculture, academics, and a hearty involvement in other activities will all play a role in the process.
12. Awards will be announced in May. All scholarship money will be paid directly to the College, University, or Vocational School in your name. It will be the responsibility of the recipient to ensure that tuition is paid in full by the deadline set forth by the College, University, or Vocational School.

Recipient Obligations:

1. By accepting these scholarships, recipients are obligated to assist the Association in one of their primary events.
 - HCDJLS Fund-raiser in September
 - HCDJLS Auction in January
2. Should a recipient encounter an unforeseen college conflict or personal emergency that prevents them from fulfilling their obligations, then “in kind” contributions of hours must be pre-arranged and pre-approved by the Scholarship Committee Chairman.
 - Pre-approved work must consist of a minimum of 5 hours and be described in writing with a signature of the overseeing official.
 - Only work associated with the preparation or completion of the Hill Country District Jr Livestock Show, Hill Country District Jr Livestock Show Sale, Fundraiser, or other HCDJLS events will be allowed.
3. Recipients must provide requested biographical information to be utilized for promotional material by the HCDJLS Association.

Procedures for Receiving Scholarship Funding:

1. Submit to Lindsey Forster, Scholarship Co-Chairman.
 - Applicants college mailing address
 - Applicants personal phone number
 - Applicants personal e-mail address. (Most communication will be done via e-mail.)
2. In order to fund your scholarship, applicants will need to provide:
 - Registration Receipt with:
 - i. Social Security and/or Student ID number
 - ii. An **official** list of course work
 - The address of the office to which the scholarships funds must be sent.
3. Those enrolled in special technical or vocational programs that do not meet the minimum requirements of the scholarship (i.e. hours per semester) must write and explain why.
4. Upon registration for the Spring semester, students must provide a Fall transcript with proof of a minimum GPA of 2.5 and successful completion of at least 12 hours (full time student status).

5. The above information can be sent via mail to:

P.O. Box 291217, Kerrville, TX 78029

Attn: Lindsey Forster

or by email to LJForster@ag.tamu.edu

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Name: _____ Telephone #: _____

Physical Address: _____ Email Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Age: _____ County: _____ Social Security #: _____ - _____ - _____

Father or Guardian's Name & Occupation: _____

Mother or Guardian's Name &
Occupation: _____

Name of High School: _____

Graduation Date: _____

List of College, University, or Vocational Schools that you plan to apply:

Name of College, University, or Vocational School
that you plan to attend: _____

Major Course of study if known: _____

List any scholarships you have or expect to receive for the 2021-2022 academic year:

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Part 1: Name and location of your 4 H or FFA Chapter and years you participated.

Part 2: List your Ag Mechanics Projects including all shows attended and awards received. Please tell us which were the most rewarding to you and why.

Part 3: List any 4 H or FFA sanctioned non-Ag Mechanics activities such as leadership teams or judging teams that you were involved with.

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Part 4: Please tell us about your involvement in community service projects and what role your leadership skills have played in the success of these projects.

Part 5: Use this to tell us about your activities, honors, interests, etc. while you have been in High School. This includes academics, athletics, church, community, or any other activities in which you participated that you feel are an important part of your life. Be sure to include your jobs and what responsibilities you had.

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Part 6: Use this part to let us know of any unique information you feel the Committee would benefit from knowing about you, your family, your future college plans, or your future goals in life.

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1. One copy of your **official** High School transcript with **official** SAT and/or ACT
2. The attached Scholastic Record completed by your principal or counselor.
3. Three **current** and **originally** signed letters of recommendation.
4. A 2 X 3 inch head and shoulders photograph of yourself that can be used for future publicity.
5. A 3 X 5 inch picture of you with your most recent HCDJLS Ag Mechanics Project.

I have reviewed the above information and it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

I have reviewed this application and it contains an accurate representation of the 4-H/FFA activities of the applicant.

Signature of County Extension Agent
4-H Agent or
Agriculture Science Teacher

Date

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SCHOLASTIC RECORD

Note: This page must be completed by the applicant's High School Principal or Guidance Counselor ONLY.

1. Name of Applicant:
2. Date Applicant is to graduate:
3. Applicant's numeral rank in graduating class:
4. Applicant's percentile rank in graduating class:
5. Number of students in graduating class:
6. Applicant's GPA based on a 100-point system:
7. Applicant's SAT (total) _____ and/or ACT (composite) _____ scores (if applicable).
8. Attach an *official* high school transcript with the SAT and/or ACT scores (if applicable).

Signature of Principal or Counselor

Date

High School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone #: _____
