

Columbia County 4-H Alumni Scholarship

Application Information Sheet

The Columbia County 4-H Leaders Association, Inc. is offering a maximum of ten (10) \$300 scholarships. These scholarships will be divided between graduating high school seniors currently enrolled in 4-H and 4-H alumni. A maximum of two (2) male and two (2) female applicants may be eligible for the \$500.00 Comstock scholarship, which is given instead of the Columbia County 4-H Leaders Association scholarship.

Requirements:

The applicant for this scholarship must meet the following:

1. Have five (5) or more years of active membership in the Columbia County 4-H program (*excluding years as a Cloverbud*).
2. The maximum age, as of January 1st, is 25 years old.
3. Be re-enrolled in a post high school educational institution and have successfully completed at least one semester (*2.0 or better on a 4.0 scale*).
4. Plan to continue in a post high school educational institution during the coming year.
5. Submit a copy of your college/technical school's transcript or grades.
6. Submit a completed scholarship application to UW-Extension Columbia County, no later than **March 15th**.
7. Scholarship money will be sent when a copy of confirmation of registration for that coming year and proof of payment for at least the first installment of fall registration is received by Leaders Council.

Applicants may reapply for this scholarship in future years if he/she has been an active member for seven (7) or more years and will continue a post high school education. An applicant may not receive a Columbia County 4-H Scholarship more than two (2) times total.

Note: It is suggested that applicants double-check their envelope before mailing to be sure all required documents are included. Applicants may call the Extension Office prior to March 15th to confirm receipt of mailed application and transcripts.

Criteria:

1. Academic – complete all scholarship requirements listed above
2. 4-H Activities (40%) – project and activity involvement
3. 4-H Leadership (45%) – leadership growth
4. Essay (15%) – expression of a clear thought process

Suggestions for Preparation of Application:

1. Review your old 4-H record books, Member Evaluation Forms (M.E.) and school records before you begin.
2. Get an early start.
3. Type neatly. May use a computer generated copy, **but must use same format.**
4. Any questions, or more information, can be obtained from: UW-Extension Columbia County, 4-H & Youth Agent, P.O. Box 567, Portage, WI 53901 or (608) 742-9680.

Columbia County 4-H Alumni Scholarship *Evaluation Worksheet*

Name _____

Please comment in the space provided about each applicant's strengths or weaknesses.

Overview:

Meets qualifications (check one): Yes No

- Completed application by March 15th
- Years in 4-H
- 25 years old or under as of January 1st
- Continuing education
- Completed at least one semester of post high school
- Has received 4-H scholarship before? When: _____
- Neat, Concise, and Organized
- Submitted College Transcript

I. Academic Information

Major: _____ GPA College: _____

II. 4-H Activities: Project and Activity Involvement.....40 Points _____

Are there a variety of experiences and depth in projects and activities?

What is the type and level of involvement beyond the club level?

III. 4-H Leadership45 Points _____

Is there specific evidence of leadership?

IV. Essay.....15 Points _____

Shows evidence of thought and insight?

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Scholarship Application

*Please complete this form and submit the required documents on or before March 15th to:
UW-Extension Columbia County, 4-H and Youth Agent, P.O. Box 567, Portage, WI 53901.*

I. Academic and Personal Information

Name:	Age on Jan. 1 st :
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
4-H club(s) belonged to as a member:	
Total years in 4-H in Columbia County <i>(excluding Cloverbuds)</i> :	
College or Technical School Attending:	
Dates attending:	GPA:
Major field of study:	
Type of degree you are seeking:	
Have you received the 4-H High School Senior, 4-H Alumni, Comstock or Rita Fredrick Memorial Scholarship before? If so, which one and when?	
Transcript <i>(check one)</i> : <input type="checkbox"/> Attached with form. <input type="checkbox"/> School is sending in by March 15 th .	
<small>*If you are awarded the Comstock Scholarship, your Social Security Number will be requested.</small>	

Project Summary

List your 4-H Projects and number of years enrolled.

Project	# of Years Enrolled
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: ___/___/___

II. 4-H Activities

List the 4-H Activities in which you have participated and year(s) you participated. This may include any achievements or awards received.

Club Level:

County, District, or State Level:

III. 4-H Leadership

Describe your 4-H Leadership experiences and year(s) you participated. You may include offices held, committee involvement, project leadership, etc. (Note: Achievements and awards should be recorded under “II. 4-H Activities” unless there is a leadership component.)

Club Level:

County, District, or State Level:

IV. Essay

What impact, if any, did your 4-H experience have in equipping you to become a better citizen since graduating from high school?