

Holly Lidy 4-H Memorial Scholarship

Fayette County Livestock Committee

Introduction: Holly Lidy was a 7 year member of the Shafter Friends 4-H Club. Holly showed swine and dairy steers. Her love of the fair and showing livestock could not be denied by anyone who knew her. Her smiling face lit up the show ring! Holly was tragically killed in November 2019 in a car accident. This scholarship was made possible by many donors wishing to honor her memory through the sale of a special red Holstein dairy steer at the 2021 4-H Auction. Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded.

Eligibility:

- Past or current 4-Hers who are graduating seniors and will attend an accredited college/university or technical school this fall.
- Past or current 4-Hers who are a freshman at an accredited college or university.
- Member of a Fayette County 4-H club for at least seven years.
- You may only win this scholarship once.
- Preference will be given to livestock exhibitors

Selection:

Selection is based on 4-H accomplishments, leadership, academic performance and community service.

- Applications are due at the Fayette County Extension office by **4:30 p.m. on May 1, 2026**
- Applications should be complete and typed or neatly written.
- A complete application packet includes:
 - Completed Application Form
 - 2 Letters of Recommendation (Non-family members)

Scholarships will be awarded at the 2026 Fayette County 4-H Auction. Checks will be sent directly to the school the winner is attending.

For your convenience, the application can be found online at:

<https://extension.illinois.edu/cefi/4-h-fayette-county>

Look for the scholarship link, under County Awards

**Holly Lidy 4-H Memorial Scholarship
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Application Form**

Return by **May 1, 2026** to:

University of Illinois Extension
118 N Sixth Street
Vandalia, IL 62471

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

4-H Club(s) _____

Number of Years in 4-H _____ Age: _____

Parent / Guardian: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: IL Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

I am currently a:

_____ Graduating Senior from _____ High School

_____ Freshman at _____

Please list accredited college / university

HIGHER EDUCATION: List name of accredited college, university, or technical school
where you have applied or been accepted.

Name of School: _____

Planned Major Area of Study: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____

Signature of Parent: _____

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Please limit your answer to two type-written pages per question.

1. 4-H Accomplishments:

- *4-H Awards / Recognition*
- *Leadership and Community Service*
- *Knowledge and skills gained from 4-H projects*

2. School Accomplishments:

- *Clubs, extra-curricular activities*
- *Awards, honors*

3. Community Activities / Community Service:

- *Participation in activities in your community, church, or school*
- *Describe your leadership experience in activities outside of 4-H*
- *Describe your opportunities for community service and citizenship outside 4-H.*

4. Briefly describe why you want to further your education.