

Kankakee County 4-H/Youth Foundation Scholarship Application - 2024

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The Kankakee County 4-H/Youth Foundation was formed for (1) the purpose of promoting educational opportunities for participation in 4-H/youth activities in Kankakee County and (2) to encourage higher education through scholarships. To aid in furthering advanced education for the youth of Kankakee County, this year the Foundation is again offering \$1,000 scholarships to current and former 4-H students who plan to attend college in the fall of 2024.

Four scholarships will be awarded to applicants who are presently enrolled in college or who have been out of school for a time and are now returning for further academic training. Four scholarships will be awarded to applicants who are members of the current year's high school graduating class. Students may receive a 4-H/Youth Foundation Scholarship twice. Allocation of scholarships will be at the determination of the scholarship review committee to total eight scholarships between the two levels of applicants.

Requirements for eligibility:

1. Applicant should have demonstrated good academic performance.
2. Applicant must have participated in the 4-H/youth programs in Kankakee County conducted by University of Illinois Extension, Kankakee County. This participation is to be cited during the application process.
3. Applicant should be pursuing a stated degree or certificate program at an accredited college or university.

The scholarship funds are paid directly to the college/university for application towards tuition, fees, books, etc. This payment is made following 4-H/Youth Foundation's receipt of a letter to the Scholarship Coordinator by July 1 or earlier, from the scholarship recipient confirming enrollment at the chosen college/university. Please provide the office and address of the institution receiving this payment. The award recipient must maintain full-time student status. Monies not used in any one semester may be carried over for the next semester. Monies are not refunded nor given directly to the awardees.

Scholarship applications may be secured from High School Guidance Offices, University of Illinois Extension Office – Kankakee County or Main 4-H Club Leaders. Application may also be printed from the Kankakee County Extension website: extension.illinois.edu/gkw/4-h-kankakee-county under Awards, Scholarships, & Leadership Opportunities.

Completed application packets (application, recommendation letters, attachments, wallet-sized photo, and photo release form) can be delivered or mailed to Kankakee County 4-H/Youth Foundation Scholarship Committee, 1650 Commerce Drive, Bourbonnais, IL 60914. and received by **Friday, April 12, 2024**. Applications can be e-mailed to Barbara Dubravec at bud23@illinois.edu. Please put as subject line "Kankakee 4-H Foundation Scholarship". For further information, contact the Extension Office at (815) 933-8337.

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Please Print:

Full Name: _____
Last First Middle

Email Address: _____

Home Address: _____
Street or 911 Address

City State Zip () Home Phone

Parent's Names: Father _____ Mother _____

Parent's current address (if different from your home address): _____

(Please circle one) This additional address is the address of my: Father Mother

Date of Birth: _____ **4-H Club:** _____

High School Enrolled: _____

Graduation Date: _____ **GPA:** _____ **Scale:** _____

Accredited college/university you will be attending: _____

Major: _____ **Expected Degree/Certificate:** _____

Expected Date of Degree/Certificate Award: _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

The following information must be attached to this application:

- High school transcript If homeschooled, a transcript of classes completed
- Provide information in bullet points, chart or narrative to include the following:
 - 1) School involvement in clubs/extra-curricular activities
 - 2) Church, community and/or service activities
 - 3) Leadership roles and honors/awards received
 - 4) Work experiences (job, home responsibilities)
- Describe in a typed 100-word minimum essay your educational plan and the career you hope to achieve
- Teacher's Recommendation in a sealed envelope or e-mailed; homeschool students may not use a parent, use a librarian or other homeschool parent involved in your learning
- Character Recommendation in a sealed envelope or e-mailed to be completed by a second adult (not a family member and not the same individual for the teacher recommendation)
- Wallet-sized photo and signed photo release form.

Completed scholarship applications are due in the Extension Office by **April 12, 2024**. **Send this application form and supporting materials to:** Kankakee County 4-H/Youth Foundation Scholarship Committee, 1650 Commerce Drive, Bourbonnais, IL 60914. Applications can be e-mailed to Barbara Dubravec at bud23@illinois.edu. Please put as subject line "Kankakee 4-H Foundation Scholarship".

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Applicant: _____ Focus of Study _____

TEACHER'S RECOMMENDATION

(To be completed by a teacher who has had the applicant in class)

Describe how you know the applicant:

How does this applicant rate among his/her peers in the following six categories? Please rank the applicant with a score of 1 to 5 with 1 being the lowest score and 5 being the highest rank among his/her peers.

	Lowest		Average		Highest
Maturity	1	2	3	4	5
Motivation & Ambition	1	2	3	4	5
Intellectual Interest	1	2	3	4	5
Moral Character	1	2	3	4	5
Demonstrated Leadership	1	2	3	4	5
Service	1	2	3	4	5

Describe why you believe this applicant will succeed in his/her chosen focus of study.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Upon completion, return this recommendation to the applicant in a sealed envelope or e-mail to 4-H Youth Development Program Coordinator for Kankakee County Barbara Dubravec at bud23@illinois.edu. Please put as subject line "Kankakee 4-H Foundation Scholarship Letter of Recommendation".

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CHARACTER RECOMMENDATION

(This should NOT be the teacher who previously completed a recommendation, family member or a friend/peer.)

Describe how you know the applicant:

Describe the character traits of the applicant that you have observed:

Why do you believe this applicant should be awarded the Kankakee County 4-H/ Youth Foundation Scholarship?

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Upon completion, return this recommendation to the applicant in a sealed envelope or e-mail to 4-H Youth Development Program Coordinator for Kankakee County Barbara Dubravec at bud23@illinois.edu. Please put as subject line “Kankakee 4-H Foundation Scholarship Letter of Recommendation”.

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Photo & Video Release

I grant the Kankakee County 4-H/Youth Foundation the permission to disclose my (or my child's) identity and to reproduce and distribute videotapes, films, photographs, and transparencies of me (or my child) and sound recordings arising out of documenting awarding of Foundation scholarships and educational opportunities. This image (photo or video) may be used in publications or to otherwise promote Foundation programs as in posters, audio/video presentations or other displays. The image may also be released to local news media to be used in connection with reporting on, promoting, or otherwise publicizing Foundation programs.

Name of Subject (Print Name) _____

Subject's Email _____

Subject's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian (if subject is a minor) _____

Signature

Address _____

City, State Zip Code _____

Date _____