



## **Bert Blood 4-H Scholarship Applications for High School Seniors due March 20, 2020**

The Rock Island County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation and the Rock Island Rotary Club are co-sponsoring college/trade school scholarships for Rock Island County 4-H members.

**Eligibility: Rock Island County 4-H members who are seniors in high school and plan to attend college or trade school in the fall of 2020** are eligible to apply for one of three scholarships that will be awarded in the amounts of \$1,500, \$1,250 and \$1,000.

All scholarship checks will be made out to the college or trade school to which the winners are enrolled.

Applications and reference forms are due to the Rock Island County Extension office, 321 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Milan, IL 61264 by **Friday, March 20**.

Scroll down to see the application. **Be sure to DOWNLOAD the application in order to make it fillable.**

The scholarship applications ask about 4-H experience, community service and career plans. The committee is interested to hear about the lessons and impact that being a part of 4-H has made on the applicant's life and future goals. There is also a 4-H reference form that goes with the application and that should be completed by two references (ie: 4-H leader, Extension/4-H staff, coach, teacher, clergy, boss or other mentor/supervisor).

The top high school finalists will be asked to prepare a five-minute presentation about their project to be given at the Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup> Rock Island Rotary Club lunch meeting that will be held at the Quad City Botanical Center in Rock Island from 11:30 am – 1 pm.

The Bert Blood Scholarship was established in 1972 as a memorial for Albert M. Blood for Rock Island County 4-H members. Mr. Blood served as chairman of the agricultural committee of Rock Island's Rotary Club, Retail Bureau and Chamber of Commerce for many years, helping to promote county/city relations.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Tracy Fowler-Pestle, 4-H Program Coordinator at (309) 871-5032. Good luck!

**Rock Island Rotary Club & Rock Island Extension & 4-H Education Foundation  
Bert Blood Memorial 4-H Scholarship Application**

**I. Personal**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Town \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence:  Farm     Rural Non-Farm     Small Town     City

**II. Family**

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different than above)

**III. Education Background**

High School(s) attended \_\_\_\_\_  
Year of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Average \_\_\_\_\_  
Ranked \_\_\_\_\_ in a class \_\_\_\_\_ (number in class)

**IV. Education Plans**

Intended name of college or trade school: \_\_\_\_\_

Major field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate cost for first year: \_\_\_\_\_ tuition \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ books and supplies \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ room and board \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ travel \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Excluding scholarship monies, how do you plan to pay for your first year's cost of your training or study?



**VI. Community Service (With 4-H and Outside of 4-H)**

Community Service Activities:

Place of Service	Type & Role	When	Knowledge Gained

**VII. In 400 words or less, describe your 4-H experiences on an attached sheet or in the space below if filling out digitally.**

Date:

Applicant's Signature:

**Please return by March 20**  
University of Illinois Extension Rock Island County  
Bert Blood Scholarship  
321 W Second Avenue  
Milan, IL 61264  
or email to: [bbuckrop@illinois.edu](mailto:bbuckrop@illinois.edu)

Be sure to include the following: (1) Application including the 400 words or less personal statement about your 4-H experiences. (2) Two sealed reference evaluation forms. (3) High school transcripts. (4) Form giving consent to release information.

The top three applicants will be asked to give a brief presentation at the Rock Island Rotary Club luncheon meeting that will take place on Tuesday April 7, 2020 at noon at the Quad City Botanical Center in Rock Island, IL.

\*Note: Please feel free to use additional paper.

## Consent to Release Information

I, \_\_\_\_\_ give Consent for the Rock Island County Extension & 4-H Education Foundation, the Rock Island Rotary Club, and the University of Illinois Extension to use my photograph and announce my award-winning in the media including on their websites and social media (Facebook, twitter, etc.) if I am the recipient of a Bert Blood 4-H Memorial Scholarship.

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Applicant Signature

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Date

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Parent's Signature (if under 18)

# Rock Island County 4-H Bert Blood Scholarship Reference Evaluation



Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Circle one:    Extension Staff    4-H Volunteer    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

*Evaluator, please rate the applicant on the following (1-poor to 5-excellent). Each evaluator should place the completed form in a sealed envelope with the applicant's name on the front and the evaluator's signature across the seal. Envelopes should be returned to the scholarship applicant for attachment to the application.*

	<i>Poor</i>				<i>Excellent</i>
1. Ability to work w/ different and diverse audiences	1	2	3	4	5
2. Does fair share of work on joint projects; is a team player.	1	2	3	4	5
3. Serves as an appropriate role model.	1	2	3	4	5
4. Communicates ideas effectively.	1	2	3	4	5
5. Gets others to work together; compromise.	1	2	3	4	5
6. Volunteers to assist; carries through with responsibilities.	1	2	3	4	5
7. Willingness to work with others, respecting the diversity within a group.	1	2	3	4	5
8. Participates in activities involving issues of local importance.	1	2	3	4	5
9. Takes a stand on issues that the applicant believes in.	1	2	3	4	5
10. Ability to work w/ authority figures to establish new and/or revised policies.	1	2	3	4	5
11. Involvement in community service activities.	1	2	3	4	5
12. Attitude (professional, positive, not arrogant)	1	2	3	4	5
13. Professional Presentation (neat, well-groomed)	1	2	3	4	5
14. Accepts/completes work assignments on time	1	2	3	4	5
15. Exhibits enthusiasm in regard to learning new things	1	2	3	4	5
16. Exhibits appropriate behavior in public venues.	1	2	3	4	5
17. Represents 4-H in a positive image to the community	1	2	3	4	5

***In your opinion, how will the applicant benefit from continuing his/her education?  
(you may use the other side of this page)***

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