

TO BE CONSIDERED APPLICATIONS MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN USING THE FOLLOWING FILLABLE FORM.

The Missouri State Fair Foundation Youth in Agriculture Committee administers the scholarships financially and is responsible for the selection of the winners.

1. Monies raised from the commission levied against all livestock sold in the Sale of Champions, the auction of a commemorative belt buckle, and donations made to Youth In Agriculture, will be used for Missouri State Fair Youth in Agriculture Scholarships.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 15, 2026

2. Individuals must have participated in the Missouri State Fair as a youth exhibitor in the FFA or 4-H divisions. (Livestock and/or Building)
3. Individuals must be high school seniors at time of application and be an active 4-H or FFA member at the time that the scholarship is awarded. Active membership is based on the national constitution guidelines for FFA and state guidelines for 4-H.
4. Selected students must enroll (fall and/or spring semester immediately following graduation from high school) in an accredited community college, tech/trade school, college or university.
5. If a selected student declines a scholarship, the Youth in Agriculture Committee should be notified by October 1, 2026 at which time all recipients (including alternates) will move up in rank.
6. Applicants must have a high school counselor complete the section and sign for their ACT/ SAT score and GPA (super scores accepted).
7. Please do not include unrequested documents (i.e. resume, school transcript, etc.)
8. To receive the scholarship funds awarded, recipients must submit proof of enrollment prior to January 15, 2027.
9. Applications are submitted to the Missouri State Fair and must be **postmarked by January 15, 2026**. **The original application form and three (3) copies** must be submitted. Applicants not sending the correct number of copies (original plus 3 copies) will not be considered.
10. The list of scholarship recipients selected will be posted on the State Fair website by April 1, 2026.
11. **The Following Signatures are REQUIRED:**

- Applicant
- Parent(s)/Guardian
- Advisor and/or 4-H Youth Specialist or University of Missouri Extension County Office Employee
- Counselor

The above guidelines may be modified annually.

MISSOURI STATE FAIR YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

All applications must be **POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 15, 2026** or mail to:
Missouri State Fair YIA Scholarship, 2503 West 16th Street, Sedalia, MO 65301
1-800-422-FAIR (3247)

Applications postmarked after January 15, 2026, will not be considered. **The original application form and three (3) copies must be submitted.**

Eligibility: To be eligible for this scholarship an applicant must:

1. Be a high school senior.
2. Be an active 4-H or FFA member.
3. Have participated in the Missouri State Fair as a youth exhibitor of 4-H or FFA. (Livestock and/or Building)
4. Enroll in an accredited Community College, College or University.

APPLICANT'S NAME		YEAR 2026-2027	GENDER	COUNTY
HOME ADDRESS		CITY	STATE	ZIP
BIRTH DATE	HOME PHONE #	PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS (NOT SCHOOL EMAIL)		
PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) NAME				DATE OF GRADUATION

COMPLETE INFORMATION BELOW FOR FFA OR 4-H. COMPLETE BOTH IF THEY APPLY TO YOU.

FFA CHAPTER NAME	4-H CLUB
ADDRESS	ADDRESS
CITY, STATE, ZIP	CITY, STATE, ZIP
FFA ADVISOR SIGNATURE REQUIRED	4-H YOUTH SPECIALIST OR MU EXTENSION COUNTY OFFICE EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE REQUIRED

ALL SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED

TO BE COMPLETED BY HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR		ACADEMIC PROGRESS (10 PTS)
ACT/SAT SCORE (REQUIRED FOR FFA AND 4-H EXCEPT THOSE BEING HOME SCHOOLED) (SUPER SCORES ACCEPTED)		STUDENT'S GPA _____ 4.0 SCALE
SIGNATURE OF HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR (REQUIRED)	TITLE	
SCHOOL NAME		
SCHOOL ADDRESS		
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT AN "X" IN THE BOX BELOW AS AN INDICATION THAT YOU UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT.		
☐ If selected for a Missouri State Fair Youth in Agriculture scholarship I authorize the Fair/Foundation to make public information about me including name, parent(s) name(s), hometown, school, FFA & 4-H affiliation and photograph.		
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT REQUIRED		DATE
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN REQUIRED		DATE

PARTICIPATION IN THE MISSOURI STATE FAIR (45 PTS)

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CANDIDATE’S GOAL STATEMENT (15 PTS)

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COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

Describe your personal, educational and career goals you would like to achieve. Be sure to include how FFA/4-H, exhibiting at the Missouri State Fair and any other relevant experiences may have better prepared you to successfully reach your goals.

The youth organization participation and leadership section of this application provides you the opportunity to list your major activities, awards, committees, offices held and other examples of your ability and willingness to be an involved participant in your youth organization(s) and your community. Remember to identify local, district, state and national examples if they apply.

YOUTH ORGANIZATION PARTICIPATION AND LEADERSHIP (20 PTS)

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APPLYING LEADERSHIP SKILLS (10 PTS)

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Tell what you have learned about leadership and personal responsibility using examples from leadership roles you have held during the past year, such as holding an office, on a committee or participation in a leadership project. Explain how you apply leadership skills in your life. You may include school, church, and/or other club experiences to enrich your response.