Each year, the Arkansas 4-H program awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to deserving 4-H’ers across the state. The 4-H scholarship program is divided into three categories:

- General
- Record Book
- Governor’s Award

Arkansas 4-H members are eligible to receive only one 4-H college scholarship from each category.

All required documents must be included with the scholarship applications and received in the state 4-H office by February 1 for the application to be considered. All applications must be signed by a member of the county Extension faculty in the member’s home county to be considered.

A state scholarship must be used within one year of the date of the award. In the event the scholarship is not used within the year of limitation, the winner must submit a request for a time extension to the state 4-H office through the county Extension office where they resided at the time they became eligible for the award. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.

Applications for scholarships should be made on the Arkansas 4-H Scholarship Application Form (FY4-H-635) and are due in the state 4-H office by February 1. Applications received past this date will not be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

**General Scholarships**

1. **$8,000 – Sue Marshall Scholarship** – Two $8,000 scholarships ($2,000 per year, renewable for a maximum of four years) – Preference will be given to present or former 4-H members who will be enrolled in human development and family sciences at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

2. **$6,000 – Ada and Tyrrell Anderson 4-H Scholarship** – One $6,000 scholarship ($2,000 per year, renewable for a maximum of three years) – Present or former 4-H’er from Madison (first priority) or Washington County who will be enrolled in a two- or four-year college in the University of Arkansas System.
3. $4,000 – **Robert D. and Betty F. Oliver Scholarship** – Present or former 4-H’er who will be enrolled at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville. First priority given to members from Scott and Yell Counties, second priority to members from Pulaski, Lonoke, Miller and Phillips Counties. Third priority given to members from any county in West Central Arkansas.

4. $1,000 – **John W. White Scholarship** – Present or former 4-H’er who will be enrolled in agriculture or human environmental sciences at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville in the fall of the current year.

5. $1,000 – **C. A. and Joye Vines Scholarship** – Present or former 4-H’er who is a graduating high school senior or will be enrolled in an institution of higher learning in the fall of the current year and has done outstanding achievement work.

6. $1,000 – **Seidenstricker Family Scholarship** – Present or former 4-H member who will enroll in an institution of higher education in the fall of the current year and who has done outstanding 4-H work.

7. $1,000 – **Zack O. and Jennie D. Jennings Scholarship** – Graduating high school senior who is a Teen Star and has done outstanding leadership work.

8. Four $400 – **Arkansas Livestock Show/Oaklawn Jockey Club Scholarships** – Present 4-H’er who is a high school junior and is currently exhibiting livestock in the Arkansas State Fair and Livestock Show.

9. $250 to $400 – **Maeda Asbell 4-H Scholarship** – Present or former 4-H member who will be enrolled in an institution of higher education in the fall of the current year and who has done outstanding 4-H work.

10. Two $500 – **Raymond C. Cox Scholarships** will be awarded to present or former 4-H’ers who will be enrolling in an institution of higher education (vocational or four-year program) in the fall or spring of the current year and have demonstrated outstanding work in 4-H.

11. $500 – **Larry Sandage Arkansas Forage and Grassland Council Scholarship** – Present 4-H member who is enrolled in an Arkansas college concentrating on a career in or related to forage, grass production or the cattle industry.

12. $1,000 – **Fayetteville Rotary Club/Dale Killian Memorial Scholarship** – Present 4-H member from Washington County who will be enrolled in the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville.

13. $1,000 – **Dennis R. Millard Memorial 4-H Scholarship** – Present or former 4-H’er enrolled in a two- or four-year institution of higher education who has excelled in 4-H leadership, 4-H community service or the mentoring of other 4-H members. First priority is given to members from Grant, Hot Spring or Miller Counties. Second priority is given to members in the Ouachita District. Must have a 2.63 minimum high school GPA. Applicants are required to submit a 500-word essay with their achievements, future goals and the impact 4-H has had on their life.

**Record Book Scholarships**

Former state advanced record book winners are eligible to apply for available scholarships the year they are a graduating high school senior. **If a 4-H’er was an advanced record book winner the year they were a high school senior, they should apply for the record book scholarship the following year.** Eligible applicants must have made application to the college or institution of higher learning of their choice by the scholarship due date. They must have attended 4-H Congress in Atlanta to receive a scholarship. The record book scholarship typically ranges from $1,000 – $1,500.
Governor’s Award Scholarship

One $1,000 scholarship is awarded to the Arkansas 4-H Governor’s Award recipient. This award is available only to current or former state 4-H record book winners.

Applying for Scholarship Payment

Half of the scholarship is payable the first semester of college, and the second half will be paid at the beginning of the second semester, provided the member maintains a 2.5 grade average out of a possible 4.0. Upon entering college for the first semester, the 4-H’er should provide:

- Proof of enrollment or a copy of their course schedule. Send proof of enrollment or schedule to the state 4-H office.
- The request for scholarship form (FY4-H-638). Include the college address to which the check should be mailed.
- A thank you letter to the scholarship donor. If you do not know the donor’s name, simply write “Dear 4-H Scholarship Donor.”

Remember, a few of the general scholarships have stipulations as to school attended, major field of study, etc., that must be met.

Repeat this procedure at the beginning of the second semester, with the addition of a copy of the member’s grades from the first semester.

The scholarship must be used within one year or be forfeited unless special circumstances are approved by the state 4-H youth development office and an extension is granted.

Tips for Applying for Scholarships

- Check the scholarship requirements and be sure you are eligible for the scholarship you are applying for.
- Fill out everything and be thorough.
- Indicate the scholarship(s) for which you are making application.
- Proofread.
- Include a copy of all supplemental materials with your application (transcript/grades/reference letters).
- Keep a personal copy of your scholarship application on file.
- Observe deadlines.