



Pennington County 4-H Leaders Association Scholarship Application Form



The Pennington County 4-H Leaders Association is offering three scholarships to exemplary Pennington County 4-H members who intend to pursue their education beyond high school.

First Place - \$1,000

Second Place - \$750

Third Place - \$500

Eligibility requirements:

- Currently enrolled in Pennington County 4-H and who has been enrolled in 4-H for at least five years.
- A high school senior who will graduate in the fall preceding the application deadline or in the spring immediately after the deadline..
- The scholarship may be used at any accredited university, college, or technical/trade school for any field of study. The scholarship winner will be announced via mail to address provided on application.
- The Scholarship will be paid directly to the school at the beginning of the recipients second semester of their freshman year. Proof of enrollment, along with the student ID number must be provided to the Pennington County 4-H Office before the funds are dispersed.

Applications will be accepted until April 1, 2024.

The materials listed below are to be sent to:

Pennington County 4-H Leader Association
601 E Centre St
Rapid City, SD 57701

Materials to be submitted:

- Scholarship application form
- Official High School Transcript - (With SAT or ACT Scores if available)
- Two letters of recommendation (One must be from a 4-H Leader or certified volunteer.)
- Copy of SAT or ACT scores (if transcript is not from public school and one of these tests was taken)
- One page of photos with captions showing 4-H leadership work/accomplishments.
 - *4-H Record books may be submitted by the applicants for the judges to review in the event of a tie.*

Judging Process

All scholarship applications will be judged by a panel of three judges. The judges will be: 4-H Leader, SDSU Extension 4-H Youth Program Advisor and Community Member

The judges will review all applications and score the applications based on:

50% - *4-H Achievement, Awards, Leadership Page 3 and 4*

20% - *Essay Page 6*

5% - *Scholastic Achievement Page 2*

15% *4-H Community Service Page 5*

10% - *Letters of Recommendation submitted with the application*

In the event of a tie, the three judges will meet to review the scholarship applications one final time, evaluate the record books, and select the recipient.



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Name: _____

Are you currently enrolled in 4-H? Yes No Years Enrolled in 4-H: _____

Male Female Date of Birth: ___/___/___

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____

High School Information:

School Name: _____

Address:

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Rank in class: _____ out of _____ Cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale: _____

(Attach Sealed, official transcript)

Test Scores (if available):

SAT : _____ Test Date: _____ Copy of score sheet attached:

ACT : _____ Test Date: _____ Copy of score sheet attached:

College, University, technical/trade school Information:

School Name: _____

Address: _____

Date of enrollment: _____

Anticipated degree pursuing: _____



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Section #1: 4-H Project Areas

Please list the top two project areas that are most important to you that you exhibited/enrolled in. Include the years in which you were enrolled, the skills/knowledge gained and the most important life skill you learned in the project area.

Project Area/ Years Enrolled	Description



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Section 2: 4-H Awards

Please list the top 4-H awards you received that mean the most to you (*No more than 5*). Include the years you received the award, the title of the awards and a short description of the awards and what it meant to you.

Year(s)	Award	Description/ What it meant to you

Section 3: 4-H Leadership

Please list the top 4-H leadership positions you held (*No more than 5*). Include the years you held the leadership position, what your role was, the club or project area it was related to, and an accomplishment of the group because of your leadership.

Year(s)	Position Held	Club/Group/Project	Accomplishment



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Section 4: Community Service/Volunteer Work

Please list your top 4-H related community service/volunteer work efforts that were completed in your 4-H career. Include the years in which you participated, the 4-H group or 4-H club you participated with, the community service project, and the hours you spent volunteering.

Year(s)	4 H Club, County or State Service	Community Service Project <i>What did you do?</i>	Hours Spent <i>volunteering</i>	4 H or other



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Section 5: Essay

Please write an essay that explains how the life skills you attained through the 4-H program, events and activities influenced your college plans and future career goals; Use additional pages as necessary. Use a 12pt font, single spaced. *Minimum 250 words.*



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Attachments Needed:

- Two letters of recommendation (One must be from a 4-H Leader or certified volunteer.)
- Current Transcript: High School Students must attach an official copy of high school transcript including: current cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA), class rank, ACT/SAT Scores (if available)
- ACT/SAT Score Sheet (if not on transcript and one of these tests was taken)
- One page of photos with captions showing 4-H leadership work/accomplishments.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

I acknowledge that _____ is in good standing with _____ 4-H Club

Club Leader or Certified Volunteer Signature: _____ Date: _____