



Bell County Youth Fair Scholarship Application 2026

For scholarship consideration in amounts up to \$10,000, you must:

1. Be a high school senior for 2025-2026.
2. Be a participant of the 2026 Bell County Youth Fair and Livestock Show, plus have participated in the fair a minimum of one other year.
3. Be eligible to attend a two-or four-year College, university, trade or technical school as a full time student (12 hours per semester) for the 2026-2027 school year.
4. Complete this scholarship application form and submit it to the Bell County Youth Fair Office, Attn: BCYF Scholarship Program, 1605 North Main, Belton, TX 76513 by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 27, 2026. **Timeliness is important as any applications received after 5:00 p.m. Friday March 27, 2026 will not be considered. No extensions due to missing or incorrect documentation will be granted.**

CHECKLIST:

To be considered for the scholarship, please check off that you have the following items:

Typed applications are required. Please input information on the pages provided –additional pages added will not be considered.

Completed typed application form for _____

(Applicant)

Official Transcript Attached – signed & sealed by a high school counselor or principal

Head shot photograph for publicity purposes

Essay Attached

All Requested Signatures Obtained:

Parent/Legal Guardian

High School Counselor/Principal

High School Ag Teacher/FCCLA Teacher/4-H Leader

ESSAY: Please answer the question below in essay format. Attach your typed essay formatted to size 12, Times New Roman font. Please limit your answer to a **maximum** of 750 words.

2026 Scholarship Essay Question: Explain what you have learned from the Bell County Youth Fair, and describe how you have used those experiences to make a positive difference in your community or in the lives of others.

Application Number _____ For office use only

Bell County Youth Fair Scholarship Application Form

Full Name _____

Contact (Applicant's E-mail & Phone Number) _____

Address _____

College, University or Technical School that you plan to attend

Field of Study Acceptance Letter Received? No Yes

Planned length of study - choose one only: Two-year program Four-year degree

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Parent or Legal Guardian's Name(s) _____

Please Choose One:

What is your Student Aid Index (SAI) from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? _____
(Please provide a copy of the FAFSA Submission Summary Report in your scholarship documentation for verification purposes.)

--OR--

_____ I will not be completing the FAFSA.

Has there been any significant change in your financial situation within the past year, or is there any other financial information we should take into consideration? No Yes

If yes, explain: _____

TO BE SIGNED BY A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN:

I certify that the financial information listed above pertaining to is correct. (Applicant's Name) _____

I understand that the scholarship committee may request a copy of the FAFSA confirmation e-mail from the Department of Education, and that any false information given will result in immediate disqualification from scholarship consideration.

Signature Please Print Name Date Contact Phone # _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION – To be completed by your High School Counselor or Principal (this section can be hand-written if needed.) *High School Counselor or Principal:* Please fill out the following, sign the application, and attach an official copy of the applicant's seventh semester school transcript. An official copy of SAT and ACT scores can be included with the transcript if the tests were taken, but substitute with scores with the STAAR test. Please note, if the applicant is attending a two-year college or technical school no scores needed.

UNWEIGHTED GPA on a 100 point scale: Applicant's numerical rank in graduating class:

SAT Score: _____ out of _____ Verbal Math Verbal/Math Comb STAAR Scores: _____

ACT Composite Score: *(STAAR only needed if no ACT/SAT scores are available)* _____

I certify that the information listed above is correct as of _____, and that _____
(Date) (Applicant)

has a satisfactory scholastic record at _____
(School)

Signature Please Print Name Title Contact Phone #

For your high school years only, please list any other **extra-curricular** activities outside of 4-H, FFA and/or FCCLA:

Year	Activity	Leadership positions, Award(s) and/or Achievement(s)

Please list any community service projects that you participated in during high school:

Date – From/To	Community Service Project	Project Total Hours

Please list any jobs held during high school. Include co-op programs and summer work:

Date – From/To	Employer	Job Description	Avg. Hours per Week

Statement of Integrity

All of the information that I have provided in this application is true and complete, to the best of my knowledge. I have included all the information requested in the checklist, and personally wrote the attached essay. I understand that any incomplete or false information will result in my immediate disqualification for consideration in the Bell County Youth Fair Scholarship Program.

Applicant's Signature Please Print Name Date _____

Permission for Photograph

I give permission to the BCYF to use my/my child's photograph for publicity and promotional purposes. I understand that this photograph will be **redacted and not provided to the scholarship scoring committee** and will not affect any scholarship decisions.

Applicant's Signature Please Print Name Date _____