

## **FORT BEND 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

The Fort Bend 4-H Youth Leadership Scholarship Committee will be responsible for investing scholarship funds, determining the number of scholarships to be given each year and selecting the individuals receiving the scholarships. The amount of the scholarship shall be \$500.

### **Eligibility/ Requirements**

1. Applicants must be a graduating senior and/or have completed the 12th grade but can apply up to one (1) year following graduation. They may apply a total of two (2) times and receive only once.
2. Applicants do not have to be Fort Bend County residents, but they must have been active in the Fort Bend County 4-H Program for at least three (3) consecutive years.
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation (relatives or Extension Agents not included) must be submitted with application and Record Book.
4. One (1) complete official sealed copy of high school transcript or equivalent and an official sealed copy of college transcript (if applicable). The transcript should reflect the previous fall semester.

A statement or letter from principal or counselor stating the Grade Point Average (if not on transcript).

5. A completed copy of the Fort Bend 4-H Youth Leadership Scholarship Application Form.
6. Give a personal "What does 4-H Mean to Me" Presentation (7-10 min) before the judging panel. No taped presentations are allowed.
7. All applicants must submit a completed, signed application with checklist. Applicants must follow all criterion/rules set forth on the Fort Bend 4-H Youth Leadership Scholarship application. If all is not completed and signed accordingly, applicant will be disqualified.
8. All required paperwork is due in the County Extension Office the Second Tuesday of April by 5:00 p.m.
9. The County Extension Agent for 4-H & Youth Development, along with the scholarship committee will review all applications, transcripts, letters of recommendation, and signatures to determine whether each applicant is eligible for scholarship.

**Rules and Regulations**

1. The Fort Bend 4-H Advisory Committee will determine the maximum number of scholarships that may be awarded based on available funds.
2. Applicants will be judged by an outside panel consisting of a group selected by the Fort Bend County Extension Agent. The Judges may not be related to any of the applicants.
3. The selected judges will score applicants according to the point system listed below.
4. Applicants must score a minimum of 85 points on a 100 Point System for scholarship eligibility.
5. The Point System will be as follows:

a. Application	4 Points
b. Checklist	1 Point
c. 4-H Project Involvement	35 Points
d. 4-H Leadership & 4-H Community Involvement	30 Points
e. Participation in 4-H County Fundraising	10 Points
f. Presentation	15 Points
g. GPA	<u>5 Points</u>

Total: 100 Points

6. The County Extension Agents will provide training to the judging panel on the scoring system to be used.
7. Funds will be paid by the Fort Bend 4-H Advisory Committee Treasurer upon receiving a copy of paid receipt showing proof of enrollment in at least 12 hours of college level course work.
  - a. Scholarship recipients will have one (1) years from the date awarded in which they may draw money from the scholarship fund. At the end of that time, all monies will return back to the Youth Leadership Team funds. The only exception for this rule will be for 4-H’ers that go into the armed services for no more than six (6) years.
9. Rules and Regulations will be reviewed annually on or before May 31.

## **FORT BEND 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT CHECK LIST**

Items to be completed by 4-H Member:

1. Scholarship application ..... \_
2. Two (2) letters of recommendation only ..... \_
3. Official high school transcript or equivalent ..... \_  
\*Must include the fall semester of the senior year (and college, if applicable)
4. All signatures required ..... \_
5. Statement of GPA ..... \_  
(if not on transcript)

**DEADLINE: Must be turned into the County Extension Office by 5:00 PM on Second Tuesday in April.**

## **APPLICATION FOR THE FORT BEND 4-H YOUTH LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

Application must be filled out in detail. Please read all rules & regulations carefully. **This form is due in the County Extension Office the 2nd Tuesday in April by 5:00 p.m.**

DO NOT ALTER, ADD PAGES, OR WRITE ON BACK OF THE APPLICATION.

1. Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

2. Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (Zip)

3. County \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

4. Number of years enrolled in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

5. Projects:

6. Summarize your leadership activities, offices held, committee work and citizenship activities in 4-H:

7. Recognition received in 4-H:

8. Summarize your leadership activities and other interests and activities outside of 4-H (music, athletics, church involvement, high school, camp, hobbies, etc.)

9. College you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

10. Field which you have chosen to study \_\_\_\_\_

11. State reasons for your decision to study in the field that you have chosen:

12. Name of High School attended \_\_\_\_\_

Address of High School attended \_\_\_\_\_

Date of High School Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

13. Name and address of parents or guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby certify that the information I submitted is correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of 4-H Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of 4-H Club Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date