

2025 WISCONSIN HOLSTEIN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS 4-Year Undergraduate Program Application

The Wisconsin Holstein Association and Wisconsin Holstein Foundation have awarded scholarships to students totaling over \$15,000 annually over the last 10 years. All Wisconsin Holstein members are encouraged to apply for scholarships. Students majoring in agricultural degrees are given highest consideration. Non-agricultural majors that plan to have a career that contributes to rural communities will also be given consideration.

The WHA Scholarship Committee will award the following scholarships to 4-year students in 2025:

A **President's Scholarship**; a **Doris Morris** Memorial Scholarship recipient; a **Bradley Fust** Memorial Scholarship recipient; a **John Klossner** Memorial Scholarship recipient; a **John Selz** Memorial Scholarship recipient; a **Maurice and Geraldine Cooper** Memorial Scholarship recipient; and a **Annette Ostrom** Memorial Scholarship recipient.

Additional WHF scholarships will also be awarded at the discretion of the scholarship committee.

Eligibility for all scholarships:

- 1. Applicant must be a member of the Wisconsin Holstein Association at the time of application.
- 2. Applicant must be presently enrolled in a four-year undergraduate college with preference given to those studying in an agricultural-related field; or be a high school senior admitted into a 4-year school.
- 3. Scholarships administered by the WHA Scholarship Committee are capped at \$2,000 per scholarship recipient and are a one-time recognition. This \$2,000 cap includes all scholarships administered by WHA, including 2-year, 4-year and all memorial scholarships.
- 4. If chosen, recipient will be contacted to volunteer at a Wisconsin Holstein sponsored show in the year they are awarded a scholarship.
- 5. Scholarship judges will be strictly evaluating a candidate's ability to follow the application guidelines, especially word count limits.

I. Please include the following information in resume form.

- 1. Name, postal address, city, state, zip your age and date of birth, name of parent or guardian, county, telephone number and email.
- 2. Name, email and full address of local paper.
- 3. School:
 - Name of High School or College and current program of study
 - Present grade or year ____
 - Year of college graduation _
 - GPA ______ and/or class standing/number in class ______ (If a college freshman, include H.S. GPA)
- 4. List Holstein Association leadership and involvement, including county, district, state and national activities (Top 10, not to exceed 200 words total) (15 pts.)
- 5. List leadership roles (Top 10, not to exceed 200 words total) (10 pts.)
- 6. List student, community and organization activities (Top 10, not to exceed 200 words total) (10 pts.)

II. Answer each of the following questions in 200 or less per question on additional paper. (Please type)

- 1. Highlight your involvement with the WI Junior Holstein Association. Include how it has benefited you. (20 pts.)
- 2. How do you utilize Holstein programs or information in your dairy project work? (15 pts.)
- 3. What improvement would you make on your home operation or other farm you are active on? (15 pts.)
- 4. What are your future plans and how will you use your dairy background to achieve your goals? (10 pts.)

III. Please include <u>one</u> letter of recommendation, or have one sent to the WHA office. Must be received by the posted deadline if sent separately to WHA. (5 pts.)

(Scholarship recipients will be recognized and awarded scholarship money at the upcoming WHA Junior Convention) Return application by March 1, 2025 to WHA at 902 Eighth Ave, Baraboo, WI 53913 or wisholsteins@gmail.com.