

# **Atascosa County Livestock Show Association Scholarship Program**

## **I. Responsibility**

The ACLS Board of Directors has the responsibility to appoint a scholarship committee. The Committee has the full responsibility to implement the scholarship program. These responsibilities include the development and distribution of application forms and other printed information, handling applications, appointment of a selection committee, approving payment, scheduling selection committee meetings and applicant interviews, verifying eligibility, publicity and all other tasks necessary.

## **II. Eligibility Requirements**

1. Enrolled and actively participating in 4-H and/or FFA at the time the application is submitted.
2. A high school senior and a graduate for the current year that exhibited in the Atascosa County Livestock show.
3. Plans to attend a college, university or accredited vocational school.

## **III. Selection Committee**

The scholarship committee will appoint persons who are familiar with the ideals and objectives of the 4-H and FFA youth organizations to a selection committee. This committee may include, but not be limited to: show association directors and members, local community leaders, local educators, adult 4-H and FFA leaders from surrounding counties. Any person who is related to a scholarship applicant will be ineligible for this committee.

## **IV. Selection Guidelines**

All qualified applications will be submitted to the scholarship committee for their review. Criteria for selection of the most deserving applicants will be as follows:

<b><u>Criteria</u></b>	<b><u>Point Value</u></b>
Scholastic Ability - SAT/ACT	10
Scholastic Ability - GPA	10
Leadership & Youth Organization Involvement	30
Participation in County Stockshows	30
Essay on Career Plans and Goals	10
Interview	<u>10</u>
	100

The committee can select any number of finalists which will be requested to participate in an interview session. If there are only a small number of applicants, the committee is encouraged to interview each of the applicants. The committee has the option of contacting the organizational advisor of each finalist if additional references or input is needed.

V. **Awarding of Scholarships**

Up to three scholarships may be awarded each year providing qualified applicants and funds are available. The scholarship will be on a one time installment of up to \$500. Vocational scholarship recipients must ATTEND an accredited vocational institution.

\*\* The scholarship committee has the authority to alter the amount and number of the scholarships granted depending on available financial resources or other pertinent factors.

VI. **Scholarship Requirements**

1. Prior to receiving scholarship money, selected applicants must submit verification of enrollment to the Atascosa County Livestock Association Scholarship Committee in the form of an actual paid receipt from the university, college or vocational school.
2. **Applications are due by April 15th.**

VII. **Disputes**

All complaints concerning scholarship administration will be directed to the scholarship committee. If not satisfied, disputes may be directed to the board of directors for consideration.

# Atascosa County Livestock Show Association Scholarship Application Form

## Instruction to the Applicant

1. Complete copy of this application, attach the following items:
  - One copy of your high school transcript
  - A statement or letter from your school giving the number of students in your graduating class and your ranking number in that class (this may be on your high school transcript)
  - If applying for a vocational scholarship, submit evidence of aptitude - such as practical work experience, and participation in special programs.
  - Essay – career plans and goals. **Maximum of 1 page.**
  
2. Submit all of the above information to the scholarship committee by **April 15.**

## Type of Scholarship Applying for:

Academic Scholarship

Vocational Scholarship

## Personal Information

5. Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SS# \_\_\_\_\_

6. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mothers Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

8. Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Where do you live?     Farm or Ranch     Rural Non-Farm     City

10. Name of High School attended: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of High School graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you in an Accelerated Group? \_\_\_\_\_

11. College or University you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted:    Yes    or    No

12. Field in which you plan to study

**Attach a one page essay on your Career Plans and Goals!**

