

# Cherry County 4-H Council Scholarship

## 2024 Application

### **Cherry County 4-H Scholarship Program:**

Three scholarships will be awarded. Each scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,000. Two scholarships will be awarded to a 2024 high school graduate planning to enroll in any post-secondary education institution. One scholarship will be awarded to an undergraduate college student. If applicants do not meet the criteria, funds will be distributed at the discretion of the evaluating committee. The scholarship committee's decision is final. Funds for these scholarships come from the Cherry County 4-H Foundation-Council, a non-profit organization. Emphasis for the high school scholarship is placed upon commitment to a total 4-H career of project involvement and completion, activities and fair participation, volunteer service to the Cherry County 4-H program and leadership service within the 4-H program. The basis for selection appraises the variety and depth of 4-H activities.

The college scholarship is awarded to a graduated Cherry County 4-H member that was an active member all four years of high school and is based upon continuing volunteer and leadership participation within the college community, as well as service back to the local 4-H program and home community. Scholarship funds will be disbursed upon proof of second semester enrollment.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

The applicant must be or have been an active member of Cherry County 4-H, including their senior year of high school. Both graduating high school seniors and students planning to or currently attending a college or vo-tech school can apply. An individual can be awarded a scholarship once as a high school senior and once as a college student.

### **Application Requirements:**

Applications are due to the Cherry County Extension Office, postmarked by March 31, 2024. Applications may be submitted electronically to [mgarwood3@unl.edu](mailto:mgarwood3@unl.edu). No photos, please. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure the electronic submission is received.

### **High School Application:**

1. Resume  
Name, permanent address, email address, telephone number, college or education institution enrolled in, address of school, major/area of concentration and resume.
2. Letter of Intent is required with the application.  
Enclose a typed letter to the Cherry County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Committee which describes your educational and personal goals. Include information about your community involvement, as well as your 4-H events, projects and activities.

3. Letter of Recommendation is required with your application.  
Enclose a typed letter of recommendation from an individual familiar with your character. Please exclude relatives, any person employed by your school system or the Cherry County 4-H staff. This letter should be signed and dated by the maker.
4. Describe your volunteer and leadership activities throughout your 4-H career.
5. Describe your Senior year 4-H projects, activities and events.
6. Describe your greatest learning experience in 4-H.

**College Application:**

1. Resume  
Name, permanent address, email address, telephone number, college or education institution enrolled in, address of school, major/area of concentration and resume.
2. Letter of Intent is required with the application.  
Enclose a typed letter to the Cherry County 4-H Foundation Scholarship Committee describing your educational and personal goals, your community involvement as well as highlighting your 4-H events, projects and activities.
3. Letter of Recommendation is required with your application.  
Enclose a typed letter of recommendation from an individual familiar with your character. Please exclude relatives and the Cherry County 4-H Assistant. This letter should be signed and dated by the maker.
4. Describe your volunteer and leadership activities throughout your 4-H career and college years.
5. Describe your Senior year 4-H projects, activities and events
6. Describe your greatest learning experience in 4-H.

**Submit applications by March 31, 2024 to:**

Cherry County Extension Office  
c/o 4-H Scholarship Committee  
202 N. Main St., Suite 3  
Valentine, NE 69201

Or email to:  
Michelle Garwood  
mgarwood3@unl.edu