

Columbia County

“Sale of Champions” Scholarship

Application Information Sheet

The Columbia County Livestock Committee is offering “Sale of Champion Scholarships. The number and amount of the scholarships will be determined by the Livestock Scholarship Committee. **Deadline: March 15th**.

Requirements:

1. Exhibitor of a meat animal project at the Columbia County Fair who has sold in the Sale of Champions at least once.
2. Current enrollment in 4-H, FFA, or other youth organization approved by the Columbia County Fair Board for participation in junior fair exhibits.
3. Current or previous year high school graduate.
4. Enrolled in post-high school educational institution. *(Current year high school graduates will receive scholarship funds once their first semester of 12 or more credits/full time status is completed and their first semester transcripts [with a 2.0 or better GPA on a 4.0 scale] plus proof of 2nd semester enrollment have been submitted to the Extension--Columbia County Office. Previous year graduates, who have completed one year of post-secondary education, will receive scholarship funds when their Spring semester of 12 or more credits/full time status is completed and their Spring semester transcripts [with a 2.0 or better GPA on a 4.0 scale] plus proof of Fall semester enrollment is submitted to the Extension--Columbia County Office.)*
5. Applicants may receive this scholarship only one time.
6. Application is signed and reviewed by a 4-H leader, FFA advisor, or other approved youth organization sponsor who is not related to the applicant.
7. Submit completed scholarship application to the Extension--Columbia County Office, 4-H Positive Youth Development Educator, 112 E. Edgewater Street, Room 212, Portage, WI 53901 by **March 15th**, current year.

Criteria:

1. Enrollment in meat animal project(s). **(50%)**
2. Leadership roles within 4-H, FFA, & species related organizations. **(20%)**
3. Any other meat animal project related activities and volunteer work within the livestock/rabbit/poultry industry. **(15%)**
4. Essay. **(15%)**

Guidelines for Preparation of Application:

1. Review your old 4-H record books, Supervised Agricultural Experiences (S.A.E.), Educational Travel Opportunities Resume/Cover Letter, Member Evaluation Short form (M.E.S.) and other applications.
2. Type—you may use a computer-generated copy. Limit your answer to the space provided.
3. To get a good perspective of all items called for in this application, thoroughly read the application **before you begin to write**. Determine the most appropriate category under which to report each of your activities or roles. *(Example: Teaching showmanship to new members is related to each of the first three criteria, but you must decide whether you want it to be an example of the knowledge you gained in the project, leadership you have shown, or volunteer work. Then list it only under one category.)*

Columbia County “Sale of Champions” Scholarship Application

Use ink or typewriter for this section:

Name:	
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip:	Phone:
High School & Year of Graduation:	
College or Technical School Attending:	
Name of 4-H Club, FFA, or Columbia County Fair approved youth group in which you are currently enrolled:	
Number of Years Participating in Columbia County Sale of Champions:	

Applicant’s Signature: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

I recommend the above-named applicant for a Columbia County “Sale of Champions” scholarship. I have reviewed this scholarship application and verify that the applicant is a member in good standing of the youth organization listed above.

Leader/Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____
(must not be related to applicant)

Attach the appropriate number of typed sheets to show how you meet criteria 1-4 as described below. Use the underlined word(s) as page headings for your responses.

1. Enrollment in **Meat Animal Project(s)**: (**Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit, Poultry**)
 - Maximum of one (1) page per species to describe your participation in meat animal project(s). Include one to two paragraphs describing the size and scope of project.
 - Report on no more than two (2) projects. If you have participated in more than two (2) species, those project activities can be included under criteria #3 “related activities”.
 - List years of Columbia County Fair participation, knowledge/skills gained, and achievements related to the specie.

2. List any **Leadership Roles** you have filled within 4-H, FFA, & species related organizations.
 - Limit to one (1) page a list of your leadership roles.
 - Include calendar year(s) of performing that role. *(Example: 2018-2019 Lodi FFA Treasurer)*

3. List any other meat animal **project related activities and volunteer work** within the livestock/rabbit/poultry industry that was not included in sections 1 and 2.
 - Limit to one (1) page a list and/or description of your involvement. *(Examples: fair set-up, Auction Committee, skillathons, quiz bowls, judging teams, demonstrations.)*
 - Include calendar year(s) and level(s) of participation (*club, county, state, etc.*) *(Example: 2017 Columbia County Fair Livestock Skillathon, 3rd place senior division.)*

4. Essay
 - On a separate sheet write no more than 150 words in response to this question: “*How has participation in meat animal projects influenced your future plans?*”

Columbia County “Sale of Champions” Scholarship Evaluation Worksheet

Applicant Name: _____

Requirement Checklist

	Exhibitor at Columbia County Fair who has sold in Sale of Champions at least once.
	Currently enrolled in 4-H, FFA or other Youth Organization List:
	Enrolled in post high school education institution (12 credits or fulltime status)
	Application signatures

Points Awarded	Possible Points	
	50 total	Meat Animal Project(s)
	40	Extent of involvement/size & scope of project(s) Skills learned/Knowledge gained
	10	Achievements
	20 total	Leadership Roles
	10	Leadership within project(s)
	10	Other leadership roles within organization(s) <i>(i.e. 4-H, FFA, Breed Association)</i>
	15 total	Other project related activities & volunteer work
	15 total	Essay
	Total Points	