

2026 Brown County 4-H Committee Workforce or College Scholarship Application Cover Sheet

Name: _____ Birthday: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Club Name: _____ Years in 4-H: _____

Advisor(s): _____

High School Attended: _____ High School GPA: _____

Future Plans (select and fill in the blanks)

_____ I am entering the workforce and working for _____

_____ I am furthering my education and attending _____

with a planned major of _____

CRITERIA: Read all information included in this document.

1. Applicants must be a 2026 graduating senior or last year of 4-H eligibility.
2. Applicants must be a current 4-H member in good standing with at least 4 years of membership (can include current year). **Must be enrolled as of April 1, 2026.**
3. The scholarship application must be typed, 11 point (preferably Calibri, Times New Roman, Arial fonts). All components must be submitted (see next page).
4. Must be turned into the Brown County Extension Office or postmarked **by April 15, 2026.**

I personally have prepared this record and certify that it accurately reflects my work:

Signature of 4-H member: _____ Date: _____

We have reviewed this record and believe it to be correct (must have one signature):

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

ALL applicants must include the following:

- Application Cover Sheet
- Recent Photo, emailed to clary.42@osu.edu
- Two (2) letters of recommendations from an adult: a 4-H advisor (not a county Extension Educator), a teacher, school administrator, community leader, or individual from your area of study, not related to you. The letters must be in sealed envelopes with their signature across the seal. This is a requirement.
- Responses to the following questions (limit 1 page total)
 - a. What are your future plans? (Goals, career plans, etc. – what are you doing next and for the next 3-5 years?).
 - b. How would this scholarship impact your life? What will the funds be used for?
- Major 4-H Experiences, Participation, Community Service, Offices Held, Honors, Awards, etc. Use the format: **Year, Activity, Description** (limit 1 page).
- Your personal 4-H Story (limit 2 double-spaced pages)
 - a. Your 4-H Story is an important part of your application. Try to convey how your participation in 4-H contributed to your personal growth and development, how it has influenced your life, and your future. This is your chance to expand upon the facts and figures of what you did by telling what your experiences have meant to you. Here are two prompts to assist you in writing your personal story. You can choose to use one of these prompts or take a different direction.
 - i. Using the life-skill wheel (attached) write a paragraph for each area (Head, Heart, Hands, Health) about how you have grown in those skills through your 4-H experiences).
 - ii. Introduce yourself, include your age, interests, and why you became involved in 4-H. Highlight your 4-H projects and activities, including major learning experiences, special interests, and unusual situations you have encountered. Tell about how your projects grew in size and scope, include successes and challenges. Explain how 4-H has helped you become a better leader, citizen, and what you have learned from your team or group involvement efforts. Describe how 4-H has helped you feel about yourself, influenced career goals, or use of leisure time.

Two \$2500 scholarships will be awarded in 2026.

