

# Lafayette County Holstein Breeders Scholarship

Supporting students pursuing post-secondary education in agriculture

## Overview

- Purpose: To recognize and support Lafayette County students beginning post-secondary studies in agriculture and related fields.
- Award: Determined annually by the Lafayette County Holstein Breeders. Disbursed after successful completion of the first term.
- Administration: Scholarship Committee appointed by the Lafayette County Holstein Breeders.

## Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Reside in Lafayette County, Wisconsin.
- Enter their first year of post-secondary education in Fall 2026 at an accredited college, university, technical college, or approved short course in an agriculture-related field.
- Demonstrate good academic standing (unofficial transcript required).
- Submit a complete application by the deadline.

## Application Materials

Submit the following in a single PDF (unless mailing):

1. Completed Application Form (see below).
2. Completed responses to questions 1 & 2, and one essay (500-650 words), typed.
3. Unofficial high school transcript.
4. One recommendation letter (teacher, advisor, employer, or community leader).

## Selection Criteria and Weighting

- Leadership and Service (35%)
  - Roles, initiatives, teamwork; impact in school, community, or agricultural organizations.
- Agricultural Experience and Performance (35%)
  - Fairs, shows, judging, supervised agricultural experiences, employment, projects.
- Essay Quality and Fit (30%)
  - Clarity, purpose, insight; alignment with agricultural education/career goals; originality and reflection. Attach a typed 500-650 word response.

## Timeline

- Application due: **April 15, 2026** by 11:59 pm Central.
- Disbursement: After proof of successful completion of first term within the first year of award.

## Submission

- Email (preferred): [katieldigangi@gmail.com](mailto:katieldigangi@gmail.com)
- Mail (if needed): Lafayette County Holstein Breeders Scholarship Committee  
11562 Rowesville Rd  
Cuba City, WI 53807
- You will receive a confirmation email within 3 business days for emailed submissions.
- Note: combine all materials into a single PDF attachment.

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## Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University/Technical College you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated start term/year: \_\_\_\_\_

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  - Offices held, committees served
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- Essay Quality and Fit (30%).
  - 500-650 word essay
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## Leadership and Service

1. Describe your leadership and service in school, community, or ag organizations. What roles did you hold, what teams did you work with, and what impact did you make?

## Agricultural Experience and Performance

2. Describe your agricultural experiences (fairs, shows, judging, supervised agricultural experiences, employment, projects). What were your roles and what did you learn or achieve?

## Essay

3. What do you plan to study in agriculture, why does it interest you, and how will college or technical school help you reach your goals?"

## Certification and Signature

I certify that the information provided in this application and the attached essay are my own work and are accurate to the best of my knowledge. I consent to the use of my application materials for evaluation and administration of this scholarship.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_