



Wilson County 4-H
Connie H. Jernigan Retired County Extension Director
4-H Scholarship Application

The Connie H. Jernigan Retired County Extension Director 4-H Scholarship Endowment will be offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a Wilson County Senior-age 4-H'er who is planning education beyond high school at a NC institute of higher education. Attendance to a four-year school is not required, but recipients must be enrolled in a formal education program beyond high school. **The scholarship will be awarded to a 4-H'er who has demonstrated a strong work ethic and leadership through participation in various 4-H leadership opportunities.**

Applicant Criteria:

1. This scholarship is available to current 4-H members who are Senior-age 4-H'ers (14-18 years old as of Jan. 1). Preference will be given to high school seniors.
2. Individuals can only be awarded this scholarship one time. Recipient must attend an institute of higher education in North Carolina.
3. Forms must be submitted prior to **5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 28th, 2019**, to be considered.
4. Applications are available from the Wilson County Cooperative Extension office, 1806 SW Goldsboro St., Wilson, NC 27834.
5. Applicant must be a current member, in good standing, of Wilson County 4-H.
6. Applications must be complete and include the following:
 - Completed front page of personal information
 - Maximum of FOUR (4) typed pages, single-sided, that provide answers to questions included in the application
 - TWO written recommendation letters, enclosed in sealed envelopes with the applicant's name on the front of the envelope and signature of the persons providing the recommendations across the seal on the back of the envelope. One recommendation must be from a 4-H volunteer. Recommendation letters should NOT be from individuals related to the applicant. **Recommendation letters should focus on leadership demonstrated and community involvement of the applicant.** Note: There will be no recommendations given by Extension staff for in-county scholarships.
 - Complete contact information on individuals who write recommendation letters, including verification of 4-H enrollment
 - A transcript from your high school
6. The scholarship will be judged on the following criteria: 4-H Accomplishments, 4-H Leadership, Community Service/Employment Record, Work Ethic, Educational Plans & Career Goals, Recommendation Letters, and others.

**Connie Jernigan 4-H Leadership Scholarship
APPLICATION FORM**

Please type or print legibly.

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Names: _____

Home Phone: __ (____) _____ Cell Phone:
__ (____) _____

Email Address: _____

High School: _____ Grade: _____

Name of 4-H Club(s): _____

Years of 4-H Membership: _____

University/College(s) applied to: _____
(please * the one you plan to attend)

Recommendation Contacts

Complete the information below on the two individuals who will be writing your recommendation letters for this scholarship. **NOTE:** The contact listed for the 4-H Volunteer ***MUST verify the years you were a 4-H member*** in his/her letter. Years of 4-H membership do not need to be consecutive nor in the same county or state.

Recommendation Letters should be sealed in envelopes with the signature of the author across the seal and attached to this scholarship application. Recommendation letters should focus on leadership demonstrated and community involvement of the applicant.

Recommendation #1 – 4-H Volunteer

Name: _____
Title: _____
Current Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____
E-mail Address: _____

Recommendation #2 – Other

Name: _____
Title: _____
Current Address: _____
City/State/Zip: _____
Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____
E-mail Address: _____

Scholarship Questions

Applicants must answer the following questions in order to be considered for this scholarship. Answers to your questions must be typed using a format of your choice; however you are limited to four (4) single-sided pages. Type should be no smaller than 10 point Times New Roman. Margins must be a minimum of 3/4" on all four edges. Questions and pages should be numbered.

1. Summarize your most important 4-H accomplishments.
2. List your major 4-H leadership roles. This could include, but is not limited to, committees and offices held. Please provide the level of participation behind each role (L=Local club; C=County; M=Multi-county; R=Regional; S=State; N=National; I=International)
3. Describe your work ethic, citing specific personal examples.
4. Provide information on the breadth and scope of your 4-H projects.
5. List on-going community service projects or paid employment over the past five (5) years. Include number of hours you served/worked and total duration of your service/employment.
6. Highlight your school, church and/or community activities.
7. In what way do you see yourself giving back to 4-H in the future?
8. What are your educational and career plans?
9. What else should we know about you when considering your scholarship application?

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Wilson, NC 27893