

Dodge County Meat Animal Sale Scholarship Application

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The Dodge County Meat Animal Sale (MAS) Committee has budgeted funds, of which they may give scholarships to any Dodge County 4-H or FFA member in good standing who is a graduating high school senior through one year beyond high school graduation (12th or 13th grade on fair entry tags). Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll in any post-secondary education for the upcoming year.

Description:

Scholarships will be awarded depending on applications received. There will be a minimum of 4 scholarships for no less than \$1,000 each. Scholarships will be distributed after proof of successful completion of their Fall semester. Scholarships will be administered through the MAS Scholarship Committee.

Eligibility:

- Any Dodge County 4-H or FFA member in good standing who is a graduating high school senior through one year beyond high school graduation (12th or 13th grade on fair entry tags).
- Must be attending any post-secondary education.
- Must have shown and sold or were eligible to sell a meat animal (beef, sheep, swine, dairy beef, or dairy beef cross) at the Dodge County Fair at one point in your 4-H/FFA career.
- Complete the following scholarship application by the stated deadline below.
- One Letter of Recommendation sent directly from that person to MASSscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com (LOR and your full name should be the subject line).
- Transcript of 1st semester grades to be submitted to the MAS Scholarship Committee at email address below for review and payment if awarded the scholarship.

Selection:

Each application will be reviewed by the MAS Scholarship selection committee. Based on submissions, the selection committee will choose no less than four (4) recipients (unless there are less than 4 submissions received). The decision of the selection committee is final. The scholarships will be awarded at the Dodge County Fair Meat Animal Sale Auction.

Application:

The scholarship application will be available by emailing a request to the MAS Scholarship Committee at MASSscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com or through the MAS Facebook page (Dodge County Meat Animal Sale). There is also a link at dodge.extension.wisc.edu on the Youth Livestock Page. The application and supporting documents must be emailed to the MAS Scholarship Committee at MASSscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com by July 30th of the current year.

Application Process:

- Fill out the attached Cover Page, including answering the question at the bottom.
- On a separate sheet of paper write an essay (**in essay format**) not to exceed two pages, with no less than ½" margins and typed using 12 point font with either Arial or Times New Roman. Remember to proofread your essay.
- In your essay, explain your experiences based on the following:
 - With regard to your experience with your animal project, what is the most difficult challenge you ever faced? How did you handle it and what did you learn from it?
 - What are some skills/experiences you have gained or developed from your meat animal project and showing your animal? How do you plan to apply the knowledge/skills you learned to your future?
 - Describe one 4-H and/or FFA activity that you were involved in that allowed you to demonstrate your leadership skills. How can you see this being valuable to you in the future?
 - What would you do to encourage someone to become a member of 4-H or FFA?

Documents to be Submitted:

*Other than the Letter of Recommendation (which will be sent directly from that person) all documents should be submitted at the same time.

- All completed application forms due on/or before July 30th of the current year.
- An essay based off of the questions above and your experiences due on/or before July 30th of the current year.
- One Letter of Recommendation that is **not from** a family member or other relative sent directly from them to MASSscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com. (LOR and your full name should be in the subject line.)

Other Information:

- Applications are due by July 30th of the current year.
- Remember to proofread your essay and your application.
- Final selection of scholarship will be made by the MAS Scholarship committee. All decisions are final.
- One Letter of Recommendation is needed.
- Scholarship will be paid to the recipient's school after sending a Fall semester transcript showing successful completion of academic term to MASSscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com. Due by February 28, 2024.

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- Personal Information

- Printed Student Name: _____
- Current Home Address: _____
- City, State, Zip Code: _____
- Cell Phone: _____
- Email Address: _____
- 4-H and/or FFA Club(s): _____

- I am enrolled at, or will be enrolled at:

- Institution Name: _____
- Address: _____
- City, State, Zip Code: _____

- My Letter of Recommendation is coming from:

- Printed Name: _____
- Phone Number: _____
- Email Address (if applicable): _____

- Please respond to the following as best as you can:

- If you showed an animal and were ineligible to sell, please explain why and what you learned from this experience?
