

# Dodge County Meat Animal Sale Scholarship Application

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The Dodge County Meat Animal Sale Committee (MAS) 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. Previous recipients (winners) are not eligible to reapply.

## **Description:**

Scholarships will be awarded depending on applications received. There will be up to 3 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 [MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com) (LOR and applicant's full name should be the subject line).
- If awarded the scholarship, a transcript of 1st semester grades to be submitted to the MAS Scholarship Committee at email address below for review and payment.

## **Selection:**

Each application will be reviewed by the MAS Scholarship selection committee. 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 [MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com) or through the MAS Facebook page (Dodge County Meat Animal Sale). There is also a link at [dodge.extension.wisc.edu](http://dodge.extension.wisc.edu) on the Youth Scholarship Page. The application and supporting documents must be emailed to the MAS Scholarship Committee at [MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com) by July 15th 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 three 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 through 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 15th of the current year.
- An essay based on the questions above and your experiences due on/or before July 15th of the current year.
- One Letter of Recommendation that is **not from** a family member or other relative sent directly from them to [MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com). (LOR and your full name should be in the subject line.)

### **Other Information:**

- Applications are due by July 15th 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 required.
- Scholarship will be paid to the recipient's school after sending a Fall semester transcript showing successful completion of academic term to [MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:MASscholarshipcommittee@gmail.com). Due by January 31, 2025.

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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?