

4-H Alumni Large Market Animal Scholarship

Application – 2026

Due January 15, 2026

Purpose: To provide financial assistance to deserving Large Market Animal 4-H Exhibitors per species per calendar year. Large Market Animal Exhibitors are required to meet age requirement for their selected species. Funds may be used for the purchase of the market animal, feed and supplies, housing or veterinary expenses.

*Species include: Market Steer, Market Hog, Market Lamb and Market Goat.

A monetary scholarship will be awarded for the following:

Market Steer or Dairy Steer

Market Hog

Please circle all that apply

Market Lamb

You may apply for more than one scholarship

Market Goat

Funds may be allocated to another species for the year, depending on the number of applicants.

Criteria:

- ✿ Scholarship recipients will be selected based on valid current enrollment in Erie County 4-H, financial need, community service activities and other activities may play a role in the selection process.
- ✿ Completed application. Where there are more than one family member applying for the same scholarship, please remember to present your own data and not a copy of another family member.
- ✿ Required is a commitment to promote volunteerism thru 4-H with the intent to advance this scholarship opportunity. Recipient **must** be prepared to volunteer SOMEWHERE to help advance our 4-H programs. Online registration is RECOMMENDED on the CCE-Erie website for Erie County Fair Volunteer Shifts or contact a 4-H Alumni member for further information or details. If you have an idea for volunteering, contact a Scholarship Committee Member. Volunteer opportunities may include public presentations, Youth Development Building (clean up, set up tear down), 4-H Cafe' , Assisting Livestock Educator (per her approval/discretion)
- ✿ Completed Business Plan
- ✿ **ALL FORMS MUST BE COMPLETED AND HAVE PARENT/MEMBER SIGNATURES TO BE PROCESSED opportunities**

All completed applications must be at the 4-H office by 4:30 pm on

January 15, 2026

Mail to: CCE

Att: 4-H Alumni Large Animal Scholarship
21 South Grove Street
Suite 300
East Aurora, NY 14052

4-H Alumni Large Market Animal Scholarship

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Parent(s) and /or Guardian name:

Applicant phone number: _____

Years in 4-H: _____ Age of 4-H member: _____

Club name: _____ Individual member: _____

Number of years you have participated in the Market Animal Program _____

On a separate sheet of paper:

- A. List participation in 4-H activities: (20 points)
- B. Experiences in other agricultural activities for the past 4 years. (20 points)
Limit response to 1 page please.
Ex: helping a sibling at auction, show/projects, or working with a producer.
- C. List participation in community service or other activities for the past 4 years. * Please include community service activities that are not associated with a family activity. (10 points)
- D. Explain how volunteerism or giving back to the community is important and how service will affect your future and enrich your life.
Limit response to 1 page please.
- E. Business Plan: (10 points) your information should include projected cost of animal, feed expenses, veterinary expenses, trucking, bedding and any information you feel would be helpful to the scholarship committee.
Please, also include the address where your animal(s) will be housed.
- F. Attach a letter (one page maximum) explaining your need, why you are applying for this scholarship, and any other pertinent information. (15 points)

☼ Please provide any comments that may be helpful to the scholarship committee.
(Ex: sign language, specific educational needs) All information is **confidential!**

- ☼ 4-H Alumni will award these scholarships by early February 2026
- ☼ 4-H Alumni reserves the right to make updates and changes to this document***

Additional Conditions:

- ☼ **Prior** to receipt of this scholarship, I verify I will work and complete this project to the best of my ability and will consult with my 4-H educator if problems arise.
- ☼ I agree to refund to CCE/4-H Alumni an amount equal to that of the scholarship, should I choose to terminate the uncompleted project, or fail to fulfill my volunteer obligation, excluding the death of my animal.
All appropriate measures should be taken to ensure the health and welfare of my animal and complete a successful project. You may contact your 4-H educator or project committee person for help and advice if a problem arises.
- ☼ The scholarship committee has the right to reject any and all applications received.
- ☼ I agree to document all volunteer activities.
A volunteer form is attached to complete and submit to the 4-H office, Attention 4-H Alumni.
- ☼ Scholarship funds will not be awarded until enrollment / proof of ownership of my animal is verified through the livestock department of CCE. Your enrollment in the project area is considered proof of ownership.

Member Signature:

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date: _____



4-H Volunteer Commitment Form

Member Name: _____

Cell phone number: _____

Signature of 4-H member: _____

Date of volunteer shift: _____

What did you do to complete this requirement:

4 hour shift _____

Supervisor's signature after hours are completed:

FOR IN OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date submitted: _____

Signature of 4-H supervisor: _____