**Ravalli County 4-H Education Scholarship**

Two scholarships of $500 each are available each year. The Ravalli County 4-H Education Scholarships are made available from the Ravalli County 4-H Endowment and the Ravalli County 4-H Advisory Council.

**Eligibility**: Funds will be used to help students start or continue their education. Applicants must be Ravalli County 4-H members and/or Ravalli County 4-H Alumni.

**Application Deadline**: All material is due in hand to the MSU/Ravalli County Extension Office by 5:00 PM on May 1.

**Review Process:** Applications will be reviewed by a committee chosen by the Ravalli County 4-H Advisory Council in March and recipients will be announced in early June.

**Payment of Scholarship**: Distribution of the scholarship will be given directly to the recipient(s) after the submission of a thank you letter to the Ravalli County 4-H Advisory Council accepting the scholarship and detailing what you plan to do with the scholarship money. Must be hand written, signed, and submitted to the MSU/Ravalli County Extension Office.

**Application Requirements**:

- Signed and completed **scholarship application** form
- A copy of your **current high school or college/program transcript** or a copy of your most recent diploma or GED is required at the time the scholarship application is due.
- Typed (size 11 or 12 font) **double-spaced essay** not more than one page answering the question, "How has 4-H influenced your leadership, citizenship, and life skills?"
- At least one **letter of recommendation with signature**. Letter must be from an adult (excluding relatives) who is familiar with your 4-H involvement, such as 4-H leader, Extension Agent, or similar. The person must address your involvement, experience and contributions to 4-H.
- **4-H Resume** (See Sample Resume page):
    - 4-H projects, including years (complete or provided leadership in)
    - 4-H leadership positions
    - 4-H activities
    - 4-H honor(s) and award(s)
    - 4-H community service
    - Non-4-H Leadership positions, activities, honors, awards, community service, volunteer work, and other relevant activities.
    - Work experience – include paid, unpaid (intern), as well as self-employed on family ranch/farm

**Ravalli County 4-H Scholarship Application Form**

**Name**: _____

**Address**: _____

**Club**: _____

**Are you currently a Ravalli County 4-H member?** Circle one: Yes No

**Are you a Ravalli County 4-H Alum (leader or member)?** Circle one: Yes No

**Number of years in 4-H** (total years of member or leader): _____ **List the years:** _____

**Number of years in 4-H Leadership (Project or Enrolled 4-H Leader, if applicable)**: _____

**School/Program you plan to attend**: _____

**Anticipated course of study**: _____

**What career path do you plan to follow?** _____

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**Judging Criteria**

Scholarship applications will be scored by the Scholarship Committee and by rubric focusing on:

- Leadership
- Citizenship
- Life Skills
- Completion of application materials

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Applicant's Signature Date

# Sample 4-H Resume

- **4-H Projects**
  - Horse Level 1 (2022, 2023)
  - Photography, Level 1 (2022)
  - Woodworking (2021, 2022)

- **4-H Leadership Positions**
  - 4-H Ambassador (2022)
  - 4-H Camp Counselor (2021, 2022)
  - Club Treasurer (2020, 2021)

- **4-H Activities**
  - 4-H Camp (2017)
  - 4-H Congress (2021, 2022, 2023)
  - Fourth Grade Farm Fair (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
  - Stir-Ups (2020, 2021, 2022)

- **4-H Honors and Awards**
  - Top Senior in Prepared Speech at Competition Day (2022)
  - Best Cat Photo at the Ravalli County Far (2021)

- **4-H Community Service**
  - Highway Clean Up (2020, 2021, 2022)
  - Christmas Program at Senior Center (2021)
  - Kiwanis Park Clean Up (2021, 2022)

- **Non-4-H Leadership & Community Service**
  - Lettered in Track (2021, 2022, 2023)
  - Key Club President (2023)
  - State Prepared Speech Champion (2024)
  - Volunteer at Haven House (20 hours/month from 2021-2025)

- **Work Experience**
  - Cashier at Super 1 (10 hours/week, 2020-2022)
  - Server at Nap's (10 hours/week, 2023-present)