

## **Livingston County 4-H Scholarship**

### **Background and Purpose:**

The scholarship was established in 2007 by Livingston County 4-H in memory of Russell B. Ace. Mr. Ace was the Livingston County 4-H Agent from 1929 to 1959. The intent of this scholarship is to recognize one current 4-H member who has demonstrated leadership skills and served their community through their active participation in the Livingston County 4-H program. The winner will be awarded a one-time scholarship of \$1000 to be used toward a secondary education program, resulting in a certification or degree. The scholarship will be applied to the last semester of the first academic year or after successful completion of a certificate program.

### **Selection Criteria:**

To qualify for the scholarship, applicant must be a high school senior who is actively enrolled in the Livingston County 4-H program in good standing and been enrolled in any 4-H program for 5 years.

To apply for this award, applicants need to complete a “Livingston County Russell B. Ace Memorial Scholarship Application” and submit it to the 4-H office by May 1st. The completed application will include the application form; the 4-H member’s Summary Book or other documentation of 4-H activities; two letters of recommendation (one must be from a teacher or academic advisor and the second from anyone familiar with your 4-H achievements); and participation in an interview with the selection committee.

Criteria for selection: 25% on demonstrated leadership within 4-H, their community and school; 25% on their service to community through 4-H and extracurricular activities; 40% on their 4-H project work; 5% on recommendations received; 5% on their interview.

### **Selection Procedure:**

Selection will be made by a committee appointed by the Livingston County 4-H Program Director. The committee will accept applicants based on an accurately completed application form. Initial review of all applications will be anonymous. Selection will be completed by September 1st. The scholarship will be awarded at the annual Achievement Day awards ceremony.

For any questions regarding the application process contact the Livingston County 4-H office.

## Livingston County Russell B. Ace Memorial Scholarship Application

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The scholarship application, and all required materials are to be received at the Livingston County 4-H office by May 1st.

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### Personal Information:

Last Name	First Name	MI
Home Address (Street or Rural Route and Box No.)		Apartment #
City	State	Zip Code
Date of Birth	Telephone Number	E-mail Address
Father/Guardian's Name		Mother/Guardian's Name

### 4-H Participation:

Number of years in Livingston County 4-H		
Number of years in 4-H outside of Livingston County		
Information on Additional 4-H Programs		
Address	County	State

### Education:

High School Attended	City, State	Date Grad.
Other Education	City, State	Date Attended

**Secondary Education/Career Plans:**

<b>College/Institution</b>	<b>Address</b>
<b>Program of Study</b>	<b>Anticipated Date of Completion</b>
<b>Describe how you have prepared yourself for your future educational/career choice. Indicate any personal goals you have for the future pertaining to your educational/career choice.</b>	

**Leadership:** Please summarize 5 of your recent leadership roles in 4-H, your community and school. Include volunteer, promotion and elected/appointed positions. Explain the role, your responsibility, years and level of involvement, duties performed and personal accomplishments.

Leadership Role	Responsibility	Years Involved	Accomplishments	Organization

**Community Service and Citizenship:** Please describe 5 of your recent activities demonstrating citizenship and community service. Clarify if this service was part of 4-H, school, or a community group. Explain how your citizenship and community service impacted you and benefited the community. What was your degree of involvement – leader, group member, individual effort?

Activity	Year(s)	L - Leader G - Group member I - Individual	Impact/benefit on you and the community

**4-H Project Work:**

Please describe up to 5 of your most significant 4-H project areas. Describe your years involved, knowledge and skills gained, scope of related activities such as demonstrations, talks, exhibits etc. Describe your personal development and the impact your involvement had on others.

<b>Project Area</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Summary of skills gained, scope of activity, and personal development</b>

**4-H Project Work Continued:**

<b>Project Area</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Summary of skills gained, scope of activity, and personal development</b>

**4-H Recommendation:**

Provide input on the applicant's participation in the 4-H program as well as general information about the applicant.

Please circle the most appropriate response.

Description	Extremely Active	Very Active	Active	Slightly Active	Inactive	Unknwn
Project Work	5	4	3	2	1	0
Leadership	5	4	3	2	1	0
Community Service	5	4	3	2	1	0
Countywide Activities	5	4	3	2	1	0

**Remarks**

I certify that I have knowledge of the applicant's participation in the 4-H program and recommend that the applicant be considered for this scholarship opportunity.

Name (please print)

Signature

Date

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Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic Recommendation:**

Provide input on the applicant's academic performance as well as general information about the applicant.

Please circle the most appropriate response.

Description	Extremely Active	Very Active	Active	Slightly Active	Inactive
<b>Classroom Participation</b>	<b>5</b>	4	3	2	1
<b>Leadership</b>	<b>5</b>	4	3	2	1
<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>5</b>	4	3	2	1
<b>Extracurricular activities</b>	<b>5</b>	4	3	2	1

**Remarks**

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Name (please print)

Signature

Date

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Title: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

**Personal Narrative:**

**Please attach an essay describing how you have benefited from your 4-H experience and how it will contribute to your goals in your chosen field of study and career plans. Please be specific and include what you have gained from your project activities, leadership roles, and community service experiences. Your essay should be no more than two pages double-spaced using 12pt Times New Roman or Arial font.**

## **Application Certification and Checklist**

**The scholarship application, and all required materials are to be received at the Livingston County 4-H office by May 1st.**

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Submitted are the following materials in application for the Livingston County Russell B. Ace memorial scholarship.**

### **Checklist**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete personal data on application form**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Include two statements of recommendation. One must be from a teacher or academic advisor and the other must be from someone familiar with your 4-H participation (other than a parent).**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Personal narrative**
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Summary book or other documentation of 4-H activities (if experience is outside of Livingston County).**
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete and sign the application certification.**

**I certify that the information contained herein is correct and truthfully reflects my personal, 4-H and academic background and records. I agree that, if any information contained herein is found to be falsified in any way, my application will automatically become null and void.**

**I hereby authorize any person, firm or entity contributing information as part of this application to release to the Livingston County 4-H office information concerning the subject matter of the statements I have made in this application. Any person, firm or entity releasing matters pursuant to this authorization is hereby absolved from any liability.**

**Signature of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Parent/Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_