

NORTHERN INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM  
GUIDELINES  
2012

Scholarship Amounts:

Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each and one Equine Scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to applicants selected by NILE.

Applicant Qualifications:

1. Minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) 2.5 or equivalent
2. **Must have participated in NILE activities, and be currently enrolled in a 4-H or FFA Program.**
3. Must be graduating high school senior planning to attend a two or four year college, university or vocational school in the year 2012-2013.

Payment of Scholarships:

NILE will send scholarship funds directly to the college for application to tuition and fees in the year 2012-2013.

Scholarship recipients must submit in writing their acceptance of the scholarship and if they would like their scholarship for the Fall or Spring Semester no later than **October 15<sup>th</sup> 2012**. **Scholarships not accepted by that date will be forfeited.**

Application Deadline and Selection Process:

1. The original application plus 5 Xerox copies are due in NILE office no later than **April 1, 2012**.
2. Final selection of scholarship recipients will be made by May 2.

**APPLICATION:** The candidate must submit a properly completed official NILE application (plus 5 Xerox copies) containing the following:

1. Two separate letters of reference from teachers, ministers, employers or other persons well acquainted with, but not related to, the applicant.
2. A certificate of rank in class from your high school.
3. A certified transcript of grades (current to the time of application) from your high school.
4. One recent head and shoulders photo of the applicant for publication purposes (Polaroid or other instant prints are not acceptable. Color or black/white are both acceptable). Graduation picture is ideal. Please identify name of applicant on the back of photo. **One** original photo will suffice. Photo will not be returned.

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Selection of the scholarship recipient will be based on NILE participation, academic achievement, community involvement and need. Evaluation of scholarship applications and the subsequent ranking of applicants shall be the sole responsibility of a designated NILE committee. Neatness in preparation of the application shall be considered. **Application folders or covers are not encouraged.**

**NILE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN NILE OFFICE NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2012.**

The recipients of these scholarships will be notified on or around May 2.

Funds for the scholarship will be handled through the NILE office and will be sent directly to the college or university that the recipient will attend. It is imperative that recipients notify NILE of acceptance by their chosen college or university and meet the requirements specified in the NILE scholarship policies.

Questions should be directed to the NILE office at (406) 256-2495. If interested and eligible, complete and return this application with 5 Xerox copies to:

**NILE  
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
PO BOX 1981  
BILLINGS, MT 59103**

**Questions?  
Phone (406) 256-2495**

**DEADLINE: April 1, 2012**

**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION, WILL NOT BE RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT AND MAY NOT BE RESUBMITTED.**

**NORTHERN INTERNATIONAL LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION (NILE)**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2012**

Application must be complete to be accepted.  
Please type or print neatly in ink. Be sure to attach  
all required documents securely, and include six  
complete Xerox copies of the application.

**Additional pages may be added.**

**APPLICANT CHECKLIST -**

*The following is enclosed:*

4 page original application \_\_\_\_\_

Two letters of reference \_\_\_\_\_

One original photograph \_\_\_\_\_

High School Transcript \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate of Rank in Class \_\_\_\_\_

5 Xerox Copies of all of the \_\_\_\_\_

above except photo \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY INFORMATION**

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ (give name in full)

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (street or rural route) \_\_\_\_\_ (city) \_\_\_\_\_ (state) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip)

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ County Of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you live? Farm or ranch \_\_\_\_\_ rural non-farm \_\_\_\_\_ small town \_\_\_\_\_ city \_\_\_\_\_

Approximately what percent of your family income is derived from agriculture (farming/ranching?) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of father/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of mother/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Number of brothers and sisters \_\_\_\_\_: List their ages \_\_\_\_\_

Are any siblings currently attending college? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If YES, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Name of high school from which you will graduate \_\_\_\_\_

Name of high school principal \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address of high school \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number of High School (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

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Number in graduating class \_\_\_\_\_ Your rank in class \_\_\_\_\_  
(Rank should be based on your standing upon completion of this application. Certification of ranking must accompany application and may be part of official transcript.)

Overall Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ SAT or ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for admission to a college or university? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Name and location of college or university \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

List below any other scholarships for which you have applied:

NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP	AMOUNT	CONFIRMED (yes or no)
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Proposed college major \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed career plan \_\_\_\_\_

Name of 4-H Club and years of involvement

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of FFA Chapter and years of involvement

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
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Explain your involvement in NILE (how were you involved, what years were you involved, specific responsibilities or activities, or animals shown): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

High school activities and offices held \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Community activities and offices held (ie clubs, church activities, volunteer positions)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Employment, if any: Past \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Present \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**STATEMENT OF NEED**

Explain below why you need or want this scholarship and why you feel you are a good candidate for selection. (Additional sheets may be used.)

**APPLICANT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**APPLICATION MUST HAVE ALL SIGNATURES TO BE CONSIDERED**

We have examined this application and find the records true, accurate and complete.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(parent or guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Principal or Guidance Counselor)

**STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

I hereby certify that if granted, I will use this scholarship toward payment of tuition and fees or other expenses at the school of my choice. To this end I agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this application, and the information submitted is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant