MARK SCHUON JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

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MONROE COUNTY 4-H PROGRAM

In 1996, our 4-H family lost a member who exemplified all of the qualities that we hope a 4-H member can attain. Mark Schuon Jr. gave 100% to each of his 4-H projects as he endeavored for excellence in all he did. Mark was courteous, loyal, and giving. His quiet leadership style was admired by his peers and leaders. Scholarship funds have been established to keep Mark’s memory alive. By giving a scholarship as part of the large and small animal programs, we hope other 4-H youth have the opportunity to strive for excellence, reach their potential, and dream of becoming the best they can be.

ELIGIBILITY

* Candidates must be a registered member of the Monroe County 4-H Program and 19 years of age or younger.
* Candidates must have raised and shown beef, sheep, swine, rabbits, poultry, or cavies in the Monroe County Fair.
* Currently a high school senior OR enrolled in a post-high school program, where you have completed not more than 1 year of the program.
* A youth may earn up to two scholarships, but only one per year.
* Must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA upon completion of first college semester.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION

Applicant must:

* Submit a completed application (hard copy or electronic) to the Extension Office by April 15th.
* Submit a short essay (200 words or less), truth or fiction, on a topic of your choice.
* Submit a headshot photo to be used in press-release.
* Provide a sealed letter of recommendation from each a high school or college faculty member AND a 4-H leader.
* Participate in an interview, which will be set by the selection committee.

Selection will be set by the scholarship committee and the winners will be announced at their school honors program, where appropriate. Winners will also be encouraged to attend the Youth Recognition program in the fall.

Up to two scholarships will be awarded annually, one for a large livestock exhibitor and one for a small animal exhibitor. The cash award will be given when the recipient has demonstrated successful completion of their first semester of school. A transcript (may be unofficial) must be sent to the Extension Office for verification.

Questions and applications should be directed to Sara Lewis at:

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