American Hampshire Sheep Association 2024 Scholarship Program

Purpose:

The American Hampshire Sheep Association offers scholarship(s) to junior Hampshire members to reward their work as Hampshire breeders and to encourage participation in Hampshire activities. The scholarship is available to any AHSA member (junior or senior) who is pursuing a college education following high school graduation and who has not passed their 21st birthday as of January 1, 2023.

Scholarship Information:

Scholarships will be awarded on an annual basis. The number of scholarships and the scholarship value will be reviewed annually by the AHSA Scholarship Committee (Youth Advisory Board). The Scholarship Committee will select a non-biased committee to review and rank the applications. Scholarship winners will be notified October 25th, with formal announcement at the AHSA Annual Meeting held in November in Louisville, KY in conjunction with the North American International Livestock Exposition. Scholarship winners who are able to attend will be recognized during the annual meeting.

Scholarship Requirements:

- Applicants must be either an active junior or senior member of the American Hampshire Sheep Association or an immediate family member whose parents are members of the AHSA.
- Applicant must have had active membership of the American Hampshire Sheep Association for a minimum of 3 years.
- Applicants must not have passed their 21st birthday as of January 1, 2024
- Applicants must be enrolled and in good standing at a college, university, or technical school as of October 1st of the awarding year and must intend to enroll in classes at that school the following semester.
- Members may re-apply for the scholarship if they meet the eligibility requirements for the application year.
- Applications will not be accepted from previous AHSA scholarship winners.
- Employees of the AHSA and their family members are not eligible to apply for the AHSA scholarship.

Scholarship Criteria:

- Hampshire experiences and achievements 50%
- Leadership, school activities, community involvement 30%
- Essay -20%

Application Process:

- Applicant must complete the application and submit per the instructions provided
- Application forms can be found on the AHSA website, or by contacting the AHSA office.
- Applications may be submitted either electronically or sent via the mail.
- A copy of the most recent school transcript must be included when submitting the scholarship application. If a first semester freshman, attach proof of enrollment and high school transcript. Transcripts may be sent electronically.
- All applications must include the AHSA scholarship application form, summary, essay, and transcripts.
- Applications must be postmarked or electronically submitted no earlier than July 1st and no later than October 1st to:

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AHSA Scholarship PO Box 231 Wamego, Kansas 66547 Email: <u>asregistry@gmail.com</u>

Your application should include the following:

• Provide the information below in the given format

• Submit a picture of yourself to be used in media announcements if awarded a scholarship

Applicant's Name:	Date of Birth:
Parent's Name:	
Address:	
City, State and Zip:	
Email Address:	
Phone:	
Current Year in School:	
School you are currently attending:	
Number of years that you have raised or showed Hampshires:	
Current Flock Size:	
Notable participation including State, regional, and national shows, or contests:	

Summaries and Essay:

- Please list your leadership roles, volunteer work, honors, and awards.
- Submit a 500-word essay in response to the following question:
 - What have your Hampshire sheep raising experiences taught you that will help you in achieving your career goals.
- Submit a copy of your most recent school transcripts.
 - If a first semester freshman, attach proof of enrollment and high school transcript. Transcripts may also be sent electronically.