# Washington County Dairy Promotion



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To: Washington County High School Guidance Counselors and Ag Departments

The Washington County Dairy Promotion Committee was organized in September 1986 by a group of area dairy farmers, business leaders and interested individuals. The volunteer committee dedicates itself to increasing healthy consumption of dairy products thru consumer education. The Committee also supports other agricultural organizations in their endeavor to spread the positive news of production agriculture.

Our "flagship" fundraising event is the annual Washington County Dairy Breakfast hosted on county dairy farms since 1988. Approximately five thousand breakfasts are served with the help of over 200 volunteers. In addition to great food, visitors get to experience and explore a working dairy farm. Numerous displays and activities help create a positive family based atmosphere. Funds raised are used to support our Committee's educational programs and promotional events. We also support other local organizations and events, while nurturing a "nest egg" for future farm breakfasts.

A scholarship fund is just the latest addition to an extensive list of projects. We are planning to award up to three \$1000 scholarships to individuals pursuing further education in an agrelated field. This includes but not limited to: Dairy Short Course, Animal Science, Dairy Science, Veterinary, Horticulture, Ag Mechanics, etc. In addition, the scholarship winners will be **required** to help at the 2019 Washington County Dairy Breakfast June 8. This year it will be held at Enright Dairy, 1207 Highland, Kewaskum, WI 53040.

We would appreciate your help by informing possible high school senior applicants about the availability of this scholarship. You will find the necessary information enclosed plus an email address where more forms and information can be obtained. Please forward copies of this letter as well as scholarship details and forms to interested applicants.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Herb Lofy Heather Lettow Karen Hughes Washington County Dairy Promotion Scholarship Committee

## **Washington County Dairy Promotion Committee** 2019 Scholarship Application

#### Qualifications

- A. Applicant must reside or attend school or be employed in Washington County WI.
- B. Applicant must have or be nearing successful completion of a high school diploma or GED.
- C. Applicant must be enrolled or preparing to enroll in a post-secondary education at any accredited technical school, college or university with an emphasis in agriculture or a related field.

#### Award

- A. Up to three \$1000 scholarships will be awarded (If no eligible candidates are found, the scholarship committee has the right to withhold presentation of the awards).
- B. Scholarships will be presented to the recipients at the annual Washington County Breakfast on the Farm to be held June 8, 2019 at Enright Dairy, 1207 Highland Dr. Kewaskum, WI 53040.

#### How to apply

- A. Complete and provide:
  - 1. Application form
  - 2. At least two letters of recommendation (guidance counselor, teacher, employer, mentor, etc.)
  - 3. Transcripts of High School or post-secondary grades from previous semester
  - 4. Include a one page essay (not to exceed 400 words) explaining:
    - a. Why you have selected an education in agriculture or related field?
    - b. What are your future career goals?
    - c. What makes you a unique candidate for this scholarship?
- B. Forms can be obtained by e-mailing (<u>hsl1725@yahoo.com</u>). Applications must be submitted by mail postmarked no later than April 15, 2019.
- C. Include a stamped self-addressed post card with application. This card will be mailed back to the applicant to acknowledge that the proper information has been received. Contact the person to whom you submitted the application if the card is not returned by April 30, 2019.
- D. Submit to person and address listed below. Applications received with postage due will not be considered

#### Selection process

- A. Selection to be made on the recommendation of the scholarship committee based upon:
  - 1. An essay by the applicant limited to one page explaining their goals, objectives and need.
  - 2. Two letters of recommendation (from a teacher, employer, counselor, mentor, etc. parents or guardian excluded) to be submitted with application.
  - 3. Transcript of high school grades.
  - 4. Neatness and attention to detail will be part of the selection process. Essay letter must be signed by applicant.

### Payment of scholarship funds

A. Proof of completion of the first semester's course of study via transcript of grades is required by February 1, 2020. A 2.5 C+ grade point average or better and enrollment in the second semester studies are also required. Payment to be made by February 14, 2020.

# Submit by April 15, 2019 to:

Herb Lofy 4434 Pleasant Hill Rd Richfield, WI 53076

# APPLICATION FOR 2019 SCHOLARSHIP

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