

ATASCOSA COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW ASSOCIATION

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

I. RESPONSIBILITY

- a. The ACLS Board of Directors has the responsibility to appoint a scholarship committee. The Committee has the full responsibility to implement the scholarship program. These responsibilities include the development and distribution of application forms and other printed information, handling applications, appointment of a selection committee, approving payment, scheduling selection committee meetings, verifying eligibility, publicity and all other tasks necessary.

II. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- a. Enrolled and actively participating in a 4-H and/or FFA club in Atascosa County at the time the application is submitted.
- b. A high school senior and a graduate for the current year that they exhibited in the Atascosa County Livestock Show.
- c. Plan to attend a college, university, or accredited vocational or technical school.

III. SELECTION COMMITTEE

- a. The scholarship committee will appoint persons who are familiar with the ideals and objectives of the 4-H and FFA youth organizations to a selection committee. This committee may include, but not be limited to: show association directors and members, local community leaders, local educators, adult 4-H and FFA leaders from surrounding counties. Any person who is related to a scholarship applicant will be ineligible for this committee.

IV. SELECTION GUIDELINES

- a. All qualified applications will be submitted to the scholarship committee for their review. Criteria for selection of the most deserving applicants will be as follows:

Criteria	Point Value
Scholastic Ability – GPA, SAT/ACT	10
Participation in ACLS Stockshows	40
ACLS Volunteer & Workday Activities	10
Leadership & Youth Organization Involvement	30
Essay on Career Plans and Goals	10
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	100 Total Point Value

V. AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS

- a. **The directors have the authority to alter the amount and number of scholarships granted depending on available financial resources or other pertinent factors.**

VI. SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- a. Prior to receiving scholarship funds, selected scholarship recipients must submit verification of enrollment in a college, university, or accredited vocational or technical school to the Atascosa County Livestock Show Executive Treasurer in the form of a receipt evidencing payment of tuition from the college, university, vocational or technical school in which the recipient is enrolled. **This verification of enrollment must be received by the Executive Treasurer by June 15th of the year following the year the recipient graduates from high school. Recipients that fail to submit verification of enrollment by this deadline will forfeit their scholarship.**
- b. **Scholarship Applications must be received by ACLS by April 15th in order to be considered.**

VII. DISPUTES

- a. All complaints concerning scholarship administration will be directed to the scholarship committee. If not satisfied, disputes may be directed to the board of directors for consideration.

Atascosa County Livestock Show Association Scholarship Application Form

Instruction to the Applicant

1. Complete copy of this application, attach the following items:
 - One copy of your high school transcript
 - A statement or letter from your school giving the number of students in your graduating class and your ranking number in that class (this may be on your high school transcript)
 - If applying for a vocational/technical scholarship, submit evidence of aptitude - such as practical work experience, and participation in special programs.
 - Essay – career plans and goals. Maximum of 1 page.

2. **Submit all of the above information to your Ag Science Teacher or County Extension Agent by April 15.**

Please Check the Type of Scholarship Applying for:

_____ Academic Scholarship

_____ Vocational/Technical Scholarship

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Name _____ Phone # _____

Mailing Address _____

Father's Name _____ Occupation _____

Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

Where do you live? Farm or Ranch Rural Non-Farm City

Name of High School attended _____

Address of High School attended _____

Date of High School Graduation _____

College/University or Vocational/Technical School you plan to attend _____

Have you been accepted Yes No

Field in which you plan to study _____

1. Record of activities in Atascosa County Livestock Show (40-point value):

2. Atascosa County Livestock show Volunteer and Workday Activities (10-point value):

3. Explain leadership activities, offices held, committee work and citizenship activities in 4-H, FFA, FCCLA Etc. (30-point value):

4. Recognition received in the above organizations (not related to ACLS & point value is combined with above question #3)

5. **Attach a one-page essay on your Career Plans and Goals! (10-point value)**

I certify that the statements made in this application are true and correct. I further understand that if it is determined that any statements are found to be inaccurate, misleading, or untrue, the Atascosa County Junior Livestock Show Scholarship Committee, Atascosa County Livestock Show Directors or Executive Committee has the Right and Obligation to rescind the scholarship.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

ACLS Director Signature: _____ Date: _____

(This should be signed by a director that is not your advisor or within you chapter or the Extension Agent or their staff)