

2026

Ellis County 4-H Scholarship Guidelines

Applications must be completed and returned to the Ellis County Extension Office, 601 Main, Hays, KS **on or before March 13, 2026. Absolutely no late applications will be accepted.**

Scholarships will be awarded to members based on involvement and accomplishments in 4-H taken from information on the application **and** from a face to face interview. The application rating and the interview will each account for 50% of the score.

Face to face interviews will take place the week of March 22-25, 2026. Once all applications are received, we will finalize and communicate specific interview dates. Please watch for further communication from Tamara regarding the schedule.

All applications will be ranked in order of award, in the event the top applicants are unable to accept the award it will be given to the next top ranked award winner.

The number and amount of scholarships will be determined each year by the 4-H Scholarship & Development Committee.

The amount of scholarship and selection criteria will be reviewed every year. Application format may be revised by the Scholarship & Development Committee to fit current needs.

The committee will reserve the right not to award scholarships.

Selection of scholarships will be made by an “out of county” committee selected by the 4-H Scholarship & Development Committee.

Applicant must be a prospective High School graduate presently enrolled in 4-H. If the 4-H'er moved into Ellis County and has been in 4-H in another county they are eligible.

Recipients will be recognized during the 4-H Fashion Revue, Fair Livestock Auction, or related event during the Ellis County Fair.

Scholarship funds must be applied toward educational expenses at the post-secondary school of the 4-H'ers choice. (ie. College, Vo-Tech and Cosmetology School, etc.)

Scholarship payment will be made directly to the school and issued upon written proof of enrollment submitted by the recipient. **Present proof of enrollment by October of the current year.** After that time, the scholarship will be placed back into the scholarship fund.

Scholarship recipients are asked to give back **4 hours of time volunteering** at any 4-H Scholarship & Development sponsored event or arrange volunteer time with the Extension Agents.

COVER PAGE

Ellis County 4-H Scholarship Application

Sent 2 digital photos to tarobertson@ksu.edu, that will be used in publicity to this application form.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail Address _____

Name of High School Attending _____

College Planning to Attend _____

Major (if known) _____

Name of 4-H Club _____

Number of years enrolled _____

I have personally prepared this application and believe it to be correct.

Signature of Applicant _____

Date _____

If awarded a scholarship, I agree to **volunteer 4 hours** to the 4-H Scholarship & Development Committee, or I agree to arrange volunteer time with the Extension Agents.

Signature of Applicant _____

Date _____

(All applications submitted become the property of Ellis Co. 4-H Scholarship & Development and will not be returned.)

(Please limit your responses to the space provided. Do not add additional pages or use the back of pages. May be typed, handwritten or computer generated. See the Ellis Co. Extension website for a form fill able version of this application at [www.cottonwood.ksu.edu/ Ellis 4-H / Forms](http://www.cottonwood.ksu.edu/Ellis4H/Forms))

4-H RECORD

Summarize Major 4-H Projects

Summarize Major 4-H Leadership given to:

Club

County

State

Summarize Major 4-H Achievements & Recognitions

Summarize Major 4-H Community Service Participation

List Major 4-H Events Attended or Participated in

How Has 4-H Influenced Your Community Involvement?

How Has 4-H Influenced Your Career Plan and Future Educational Goals?