

Heritage Hog Scholarship Guidelines



The Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds Foundation Heritage Hog Scholarship is offered to a deserving college or other higher education bound student interested in raising a hog to be brought to the Santa Cruz County Fair and sold at the Junior Livestock Auction. Proceeds from the auction, along with additional donations are used for various improvements to the Fairgrounds under the guidance of the Fairgrounds Foundation.

The Fairgrounds Foundation will provide the hog, hog feed and \$3,000.00 to a student entering or currently attending college.

ELIGIBILITY: Students and/or their legal guardian must live and/or attend school either in Santa Cruz County or within the Pajaro Valley Unified School District or the Aromas/San Juan Unified School District boundaries. The student must meet the eligibility requirements to exhibit in the Swine show of the Santa Cruz County Fair.

CRITERIA: Selection is based on the student's experience raising livestock, scholastic record, special activities, personal history, leadership skills, letters of recommendation, and ability to confidently represent their accomplishments and goals during a virtual interview.

APPLICATION: Applications are available on the Fairgrounds Foundation web site www.fairgrounds-foundation.org and at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Postmarked or received at Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds or Fairgrounds Foundation Office (P.O. Box 1806 Freedom CA 95019) no later than May 19, 2023. This includes three letters of recommendation.

SELECTION: Applicants must be available to be interviewed by the scholarship selection committee during May of 2023.

AWARD: The recipient of this scholarship will receive their \$3,000.00 award upon proof of enrollment in their college or other higher educational technical school. The award will be issued as a one-time payment.

8. In what special activities such as clubs, societies, churches, and athletics have you participated?
Attach additional page if necessary.

9. How, or from whom, did you hear about this scholarship?

10. What college or university do you plan to enter or are you attending?

When? _____ Major course of study _____

For what occupation are you preparing?

11. 3 Letters of Recommendation: Applicant must submit three *letters* of recommendation giving information about his/her character and ability.

Each letter of recommendation must be submitted in a sealed envelope

These may be filed with the application or sent directly to the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds Foundation (P.O. Box 1806 Freedom CA 95019).

List the names and occupations of the persons (relatives excluded) who are writing the letter of recommendation:

13. On a separate sheet of 8.5 x 11" paper - Write a short essay including reasons why you want to raise the Heritage Hog and why you want to support the fairgrounds.

Signed _____

Date _____