Dear 4-H Member:

In support of youth development pursuits, Tennessee State University Cooperative Extension, the University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture, and donors to Tennessee 4-H Foundation dedicate a portion of its resources to scholarship programs benefiting Tennessee 4-H members to attend Congress. The Universities and 4-H Foundation are pleased to announce that we will be able to provide $6,600 in scholarship support through 22 scholarship opportunities in the amount of $300.00. The scholarships will be awarded in February and will provide complimentary registration. The awarded scholarship does not cover the cost of transportation.

The enclosed application packet describes the available scholarship opportunity. The scholarship has its own eligibility criteria and application requirement, which are detailed in the enclosed packet. Applications must be submitted Tuesday, February 1, 2022, and must be submitted using the following link:

[https://tinyurl.com/4-Hminorityscholarship](https://tinyurl.com/4-Hminorityscholarship)

Please review the enclosed packet carefully. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact your county Extension office or call Tennessee State University Cooperative Extension at 615-963-1351. Please consider applying! We look forward to reading your application.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Broyles
4-H Program Leader
Tennessee State University

Justin Crowe
4-H Director & Statewide Program Leader
University of Tennessee
YOUTH LEADERS SCHOLARSHIPS

**Amount:** Up to $300.00

**Number available:** maximum of 22

**What does the scholarship provide?**
The scholarship consists of complimentary conference registration for the recipient to participate in the 2020 Tennessee 4-H Congress.

**Who is eligible?**
Applicants must meet all four (4) criteria:
1. Current 4-H member for at least one year
2. Never attended Tennessee 4-H Congress as a delegate
3. Culturally or ethnically diverse 4-H member from an underserved minority group
4. Be of the grade level specified for the program (9th or 10th grade)

**What are the selection criteria?**
Rubric based on application requirements:
- Student meets eligibility criteria
- Complete application 15%
- Essays 85%

**Requirements:** Submit application form and essays.

**What are the additional requirements?**
Upon accepting a scholarship, you will need to share your Congress experience with your local community. You will submit one press release highlighting your Congress experience to a local or regional newspaper. In addition, you will deliver two presentations about your experience. Your presentations will be delivered to one adult audience and one youth audience of your choice. The purpose of the presentation is to increase public understanding of 4-H and increase awareness of 4-H Congress opportunities.
Tennessee 4-H Congress Scholarship Cover Page

Full Name: ____________________________________________________________

Approval of Application

I hereby certify that all information in this application is true and accurate, I am aware that any misrepresentation will result in the disqualification of my application. I give Tennessee State University and the University of Tennessee permission to publicize my scholarship award if I am a recipient.

__________________________________________________________
Signature of Applicant Date

I hereby certify that I have read this application and that the minor applicant has my permission to apply for this scholarship.

__________________________________________________________
Signature of Parent Guardian Date

I hereby certify that I have read this application and that the applicant is a current 4-H member.

__________________________________________________________
Signature of County Extension Agent Date

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APPLICATION FORM

Please type or print legibly in black or blue ink.

I meet the following eligibility requirements (Please mark all that apply)

☐ Current 4-H member

☐ Culturally or ethnically diverse 4-H member from an underserved minority group

☐ Currently enrolled in 9th or 10th grade

Full Name: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: ______ Zip Code: __________

County: ____________________________

Phone: ____________________________

Email Address: ____________________________

School: ____________________________ Age: _____ Grade Level: __________

Race
☐ American Indian or Alaska Native

☐ Asian

☐ Black or African American

☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

☐ White

Ethnicity

☐ Hispanic or Latino

☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Gender

☐ Female

☐ Male
In 250 words or less for each section, explain your extracurricular activities/honors/community service/leadership experiences. You may attach pages if necessary.

Extracurricular Activities

Honors and Awards

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ESSAY #1 – In 500 words or less, prepare an essay on the theme “Tennessee 4-H: Shaping the Future Together”. You may attach pages if necessary.
ESSAY #2 - In 500 words or less, please answer the following questions. Why do you wish to attend 4-H Congress? What is your definition of leadership? Explain any obstacles you have overcome in your life and how they have made an impact. How do you plan to distinguish yourself as a citizen in the future? You may attach pages if necessary.