



2026 WISCONSIN HOLSTEIN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

1 or 2-Year & Short Course Program Application

The Wisconsin Holstein Association and Wisconsin Holstein Foundation have awarded scholarships to students totaling over \$15,000 annually over the last 10 years. Wisconsin Holstein members with any major are encouraged to apply for scholarships.

The WHA Scholarship Committee will award the following scholarships to 2-year students in 2026:

A **Gordon Berg** Memorial Scholarship recipient; and a **Marlowe Nelson** Memorial Scholarship recipient. Additional WHF scholarships will also be awarded at the discretion of the scholarship committee.

Eligibility for all scholarships:

1. Applicant must be a member of the Wisconsin Holstein Association at the time of application.
2. Applicant must be presently enrolled in a one or two-year technical school or short course program with preference given to those studying in an agricultural-related field; or be a high school senior admitted into one of these schools.
3. Scholarships administered by the WHA Scholarship Committee are capped at \$2,000 per scholarship recipient and are a one-time recognition. This \$2,000 cap includes all scholarships administered by WHA, including 2-year, 4-year and all memorial scholarships.
4. *If chosen, recipient will be contacted to volunteer at a Wisconsin Holstein sponsored show in the year they are awarded a scholarship.*
5. Scholarship judges will be strictly evaluating a candidate's ability to follow the application guidelines, especially word count limits.

I. Please include the following information in resume form.

1. Name, postal address, city, state, zip - your age and date of birth, name of parent or guardian, county, telephone number and email.
2. Name, email and **full** address of local paper.
3. School:
 - Name of High School or College and current program of study
 - Present grade or year
 - Year of college graduation
 - GPA and/or class standing/number in class (If a college freshman, include H.S. GPA)
4. List Holstein Association leadership and involvement, including county, district, state and national activities (Top 10, not to exceed 200 words total) **(15 pts.)**
5. List leadership roles (Top 10, not to exceed 200 words total) **(10 pts.)**
6. List student, community and organization activities (Top 10, not to exceed 200 words total) **(10 pts.)**

II. Answer each of the following questions in 200 or less per question on additional paper. (Please type)

1. How did you get involved in the Wisconsin Holstein Association? **(15 pts.)**
2. How do you utilize Holstein programs or information in your dairy project work? **(15 pts.)**
3. What skills have you developed that you learned while a member of the Wisconsin Holstein Association and how are they benefitting you today? **(15 pts.)**
4. What are your future plans and how will you use your dairy background to achieve your goals? **(15 pts.)**

III. Please include one letter of recommendation, or have one sent to the WHA office. Must be received by the posted deadline if sent separately to WHA. **(5 pts.)**

(Scholarship recipients will be recognized and awarded scholarship money at the upcoming WHA Junior Convention)
Return application by **March 1, 2025** to WHA at 902 Eighth Ave, Baraboo, WI 53913 or wisholsteins@gmail.com.