John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarship

2024 Application Guidelines



Through the generosity of John Deere Canada, 15 scholarships – valued at \$1,000 each – are available to 4-H members across Canada who plan to pursue a post-secondary education at a Canadian college or university in a degree, certificate or trade-based program in September 2024.

Distribution of the scholarships will be as follows and is meant to reflect the 4-H membership base across the country:

BC - 1	SK - 2	ON - 2	NB - 1	PE – 1
AB - 3	MB - 2	QC - 1	NS - 1	NL - 1

Eligibility

- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age by January 1, 2024 and a current 4-H member in good standing.
- Applicants must be Canadian residents in their final year of high school, CEGEP or an
 undergrad student planning to attend college or university in September 2024. Applicants
 must be pursuing education in a degree, certificate or trade-based program.
- Applicants must complete the online application at <u>apply.4-h-canada.ca</u> and include the following:
 - o A reference letter from their community, school, or 4-H leader.
 - A letter of offer or acceptance to a full-time program in a college, trade school or university.
 - o Background on their 4-H and community involvement.
 - A description of their financial need.
 - o A 500-word essay (include word count) on one of two topics:
 - How can we (you and others) make positive change in our local communities?
 - Is technology in agriculture making positive changes to local communities and the environment?
- Applicants must grant permission to John Deere Canada and 4-H Canada to use their name, photograph, province of residence, school, and area of study in publications and online communication channels that promote the John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarship program. The consent form will be in the 4-H Canada online application.
- Recipients must agree to provide a headshot photograph, proof of acceptance and their social insurance number to claim their award; Funds will not be released and announcements will not be made until these documents are provided.



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Selection Criteria

Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and judged on the following criteria:

- Ability to follow instructions and meet deadlines
- Quality of the essay submitted
- Reference letter provided
- 4-H involvement (including number of years, positions held and projects completed)
- Community involvement
- Confirmation of current good standing in a Canadian 4-H club
- Description of financial need

In the event of a tie, winners will be selected by a random draw.

Online applications

Applications open at 10 a.m. ET on March 18, 2024, and must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on June 2, 2024.

Recipients will be notified in July 2024 and public announcements will be made in August/September.

To apply, visit <u>4-h-canada.ca/scholarships</u> or <u>apply.4-h-canada.ca</u>.

For more information

Have a question about this scholarship? Contact Allison Hudson, Program Coordinator, Admission and Travel at program@4-h-canada.ca.

