

“Future Leader” Livestock Scholarship Application

Supporting First-Year Youth in Livestock Projects



Program Overview

The Future Leader Livestock Scholarship supports first-year youth exhibitors beginning their journey in livestock projects through 4-H and FFA. The program encourages early involvement in agriculture, builds responsibility, and develops future leaders. **Due date: May 15, 2026**

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be a first-year youth exhibitor enrolled in 4-H or FFA
- Meets minimum age requirements; ages 9-18
- In good standing with school and 4-H or FFA unit within the Monterey County
- Plans to exhibit livestock at Monterey County Fair (rabbits, chickens, goats, lambs, hogs)
- Demonstrates interest in agriculture and leadership

Application Requirements

- Complete the following application form
- Complete short answer responses (1 - 2 pages)
- Parent/Guardian statement regarding financial need/hardship
- One letter of recommendation from a person not related to applicant, not a current director of MCF Heritage or Monterey County Fair.

What are we looking for with each applicant?

- Demonstrates a genuine interest in agriculture and enthusiasm for hands-on experience in animal care and husbandry.
- Shows a willingness to learn and actively engage in the care of their chosen species under the guidance of a 4-H or FFA advisor.
- Commits to the full responsibility of raising their animal - from initial purchase through to participation in the Junior Livestock Auction at the Monterey County Fair.
- Displays leadership potential through initiative, accountability, and a positive attitude.

Application Form

Name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

4-H Club / FFA Chapter: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent Phone: _____ Email: _____

Animal Project: _____

4-H or FFA Advisor: _____ Phone: _____



Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please complete the next page with written answers or complete on a separate paper. Scan and attach to email montereycountyfairheritage@gmail.com Due date is May 15, 2026

