KAUFMAN COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW
2027 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show is awarding three (3) scholarships to outstanding youth in Kaufman County. The scholarships are for $1,250 each and will be presented at the 2027 Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show Auction.

ELIGIBILITY OF APPLICANT

To be eligible, a student must:

• Be a resident of Kaufman County.
• Be a 2027 graduate of a high school in Kaufman County.
• Be an active member of 4-H and/or FFA.
• Meet the entrance requirements of a college, university, technical school, or trade program.
• Enroll full-time in Fall 2027.
• Plan to pursue a degree, certification, or career in an agriculture-related field.
• Submit SAT and/or ACT scores, if available.
• Attach an official copy of their high school transcript.
• Submit the completed application and attachments by November 15, 2026.

AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATIONS

Applications will be available through the following methods:

- Contact your Agricultural Science Teacher or County Extension Agent.
- Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show Website

DEADLINE

The completed application and attachments must be postmarked by November 15, 2026, and mailed to:

Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show
Attn: Scholarship Committee
PO Box 506
Kaufman, TX 75142

SCHOLARSHIP TIMELINE

November 15, 2026	Postmark deadline for completed application, signatures, and transcript.
November 20, 2026	Notification of scholarship finalists for interview.
December 1, 2026	Finalist interview with the Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show Board.
December 11, 2026	Scholarship finalists must email a digital photo of themselves to KCJLShow@gmail.com for website and recognition purposes.
January 16, 2027	Scholarship recipients recognized during the Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show.
August 8, 2027	Scholarship recipients must submit a copy of their college, university, technical school, or trade program schedule for scholarship payment processing.
October 31, 2027	Scholarships will be void if not claimed by this date.

KAUFMAN COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Full Name: _____

Preferred Name (for recognition materials): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of 4-H Club/FFA Chapter: _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Name of High School: _____

Phone Number of High School: _____

List in priority order up to three (3) colleges, universities, technical schools, or trade programs you plan to attend:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Intended Major, Degree, or Certification Program:

_____

Planned Career or Profession:

_____

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information provided in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Signature of County Extension Agent or Agricultural Science Teacher:

_____ Date: _____

SHORT BIO FOR PROGRAM

Please attach a 100–150-word paragraph introducing yourself for recognition materials and press releases written in third person.

Please include:

- Your name
- Parents' names
- School and organization
- Major livestock or agriculture projects
- Leadership involvement
- Future plans and career goals

Example: Representing Cedar Ridge FFA is Mason Carter, a senior at Pine Valley High School and the son of Luke and Heather Carter. Mason has been involved in FFA and livestock projects for eight years, showing market steers and breeding heifers while also competing in livestock judging and agricultural mechanics contests. Through these experiences, he has learned responsibility, leadership, and the value of hard work. Mason currently serves as his chapter's President and enjoys helping younger exhibitors prepare for county and major livestock shows. Outside of FFA, he participates in his church youth group and volunteers at community events throughout his hometown. After graduation, Mason plans to attend Tarleton State University to major in Agricultural Business and pursue a career in the cattle industry.

ESSAY

Attach one essay of approximately 500–700 words describing how your involvement in 4-H, FFA, and the Kaufman County Junior Livestock Show has shaped your character, leadership skills, work ethic, and future goals.

Please include:

- Personal growth and lessons learned
- Leadership experiences
- Career plans and future goals
- The impact agriculture has had on your life

Please do not include your name, school, or chapter name within the essay.

4-H/FFA PROJECT EXPERIENCES

List up to four (4) of your most significant 4-H/FFA projects throughout your career. Describe years involved, knowledge and skills gained, leadership opportunities, demonstrations, clinics, workshops, contests, and accomplishments. Explain why these projects were important and what impact your involvement had on others.

Reference levels: L = Local, C = County, D = District, R = Regional, S = State, N = National

Year	Project, Experience, Skills, & Accomplishments	Importance	Level
2022	Attended five showmanship clinics and learned showmanship techniques and show day prep	This helped improve my confidence and showmanship abilities while allowing me to help younger exhibitors develop their own skills.	**C, R, S**

4-H/FFA LEADERSHIP ROLES

List major 4-H/FFA leadership roles throughout your career. Include elected offices, committee leadership, mentoring, volunteer leadership, and promotional activities. List year, leadership roles, responsibilities, and levels of involvement, as L=Local, C=County, D=District, R=Regional, S=State, N=National

Year	Leadership Role	Level	Role, Responsibilities, Duties, and/or accomplishments (Brief statements)

CITIZENSHIP & COMMUNITY SERVICE

List major citizenship and community service activities. Explain your role and the impact your involvement had on others. Use Y= performed yourself, M=member of a group, or P=provided primary leadership to the group. Describe why your citizenship and community service were important in these activities and what impact your involvement had on other people.

Year	Activity	Role	Impact of Involvement/Why it was important to me

4-H/FFA HONORS

List up to four (4) of your most important honors and awards received through 4-H/FFA. List the year received, award, level of award (use L=Local, C=County, D=District, R=Regional, S=State, N=National), and why this award is important to you.

Year	Award	Level	Why is this award important to you?

OUTSIDE 4-H/FFA EXPERIENCES

Describe activities outside of 4-H/FFA including leadership roles, athletics, church activities, work experience, volunteer service, clubs, and community involvement. Explain how these experiences contributed to your personal growth and benefited others.

KAUFMAN COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

Applications will first be reviewed and scored independently by the Scholarship Committee using the attached official application rubric. Top applicants will be selected as finalists and invited to participate in an in-person speech/interview.

Final scholarship recipients will be determined using a combination of:
• Application Score = 70%
• Speech/Interview Score = 30%

This process is designed to promote fairness, consistency, and recognition of both accomplishments and communication skills.

Scholarship Committee members are encouraged to score applicants objectively and consistently using the provided rubrics.