Portage County 4-H Life Skills Committee Scholarship Award Description and Guidelines

Initial Application:

A scholarship opportunity is available for Portage County 4-H members who have successfully completed (including Grade Day participation) any Life Skills project(s) for two or more years. The award is not based on financial need but is an investment in the youth's future endeavors. This scholarship of up to \$750 will be awarded to current 4-H members.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 1. One of the following requirements:
 - a. completed their senior year of high school in the current academic year,
 - b. accepted or attending in their freshman year of college; or are
 - c. accepted or attending in their first year of trade/technical training;
- 2. have at least a 2.00 GPA for the most recently completed academic term; and,
- 3. One of the following:
 - a. present his or her educational plans identifying what you would use the scholarship,
 - b. proof of acceptance to an educational institution, or
 - c. proof of acceptance to a trade/technical training program.

To be valid, applicants must complete and submit:

- 1. The Ohio 4-H Achievement Record for the current year.
 - a. The Ohio 4-H Achievement Record is available in Word and PDF format via download from the Ohio 4-H Youth Development web page at https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships
- 2. A letter of interest addressed to the Portage County 4-H Life Skills Committee.
- 3. One of the following: education plan, proof of acceptance to an educational institution, or proof of acceptance to trade/technical program.
- 4. Proof of current GPA of a at least a 2.00 or higher.

Submit all required documentation to Portage County 4-H Life Skills Committee by the August 1 deadline at:

Portage County 4-H Life Skills Committee c/o Ohio State University Extension Portage County Suite 103 705 Oakwood Street Ravenna, OH 44266

Deadline to apply is August 1.

If sending via U.S. Postal Service, the completed achievement record and letter must be postmarked before or on August 1 at midnight. If delivering in person to the Extension Office, the completed achievement record and letter must be received before or on August 1 prior to office closing. The achievement record and letter will be date stamped by the Extension Office upon receipt.

Returning Applicants:

Any prior year's recipient(s) may apply to receive one single renewal award of up to \$750 as funds are available. Applicants must submit a new request to the Life Skills Committee.

The following are required for renewal consideration:

- 1. A letter of interest for renewal of funds to the Life Skills Committee.
- 2. The applicant must describe in 250 to 500 words his or her educational accomplishments, community, and/or citizenship activity or service during the prior academic term.
- 3. The applicant must show evidence of successful progress at their educational institution or trade/technical training program for the prior academic term.

Deadline to apply for renewal is August 1.

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Scholarship Announcement

The scholarships will be awarded at the annual Portage County Randolph Fair 4-H Life Skills Bake Sale and Auction. For more information, please contact the Life Skills Committee via email at PC4HLifeSkillsCommittee@gmail.com.

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