

CORTLAND COUNTY 4-H TEEN COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP  
CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OF CORTLAND COUNTY 60 CENTRAL  
AVENUE, CORTLAND, NY 13045

Dear Applicant:

Enclosed is the application for a scholarship grant through the "Cortland County 4-H Teen Council Scholarship Fund". This scholarship is intended to serve those who are current 4-H Teen Council Members and who are interested in the pursuit of "continued education" beyond completion of high school. 4-H Teen Council Members have established this fund:

- in recognition of the friendships and fellowship gained from being a 4-H Teen Council member,
- in recognition of the leadership opportunities provided and gained from being a 4-H Teen Council Member,
- in recognition of the knowledge and skills gained from being a 4-H Teen Council Member,
- in recognition of the office (s) held, the projects worked on, the activities participated in, the meetings attended and the dedication given to being a 4-H Teen Council Member.

Listed below are the criteria for these scholarship grants:

1. Must have graduated from high school or successfully obtained a GED.
2. Must be enrolled in a "continued education" program, which may include (but is not limited to):
  - a 2 or 4 year undergraduate or graduate level program, or
  - a course of instruction which will enhance an opportunity to obtain a skill(s) or the knowledge necessary to become employed, or
  - a class/workshop, etc. leading to furthered education, job promotion, etc..
3. May be used in a Private or Public institution within, or outside of, New York State.
4. The amount of the scholarship grant(s) will be determined based on the amount of annual interest the "Fund" earns, and the number of qualified applicants that apply each year.
5. A maximum of \$500 will be given to any one scholarship grant
6. Applications must be returned to Cornell Cooperative Extension of Cortland County, 4-H Teen Council Scholarship Fund, 60 Central Avenue, Cortland, NY 13045, Postmarked no later than **May 1** of the current year.

Application must include:

- Completed Application Form,
- Listings as specified,
- Essay in reply to questions as specified,
- Two letters of recommendation, family members' excluded, no more than one from school staff

Final selection will be made by a committee appointed by The Robert P. Blatchley Cortland County 4-H Foundation. Inc., based on the following scorecard:

## **SCHOLARSHIP/GRANT APPLICATION SCORECARD**

<b>Section 1</b>	Activities participated in as a 4-H Teen Council Member. (meetings attended, community service, trips, fundraising, etc.)	50%
<b>Section 2</b>	Leadership roles (committee chairs or served on, offices held, etc.) as a Teen Council Member,	15%
<b>Section 3</b>	Non-4-H Teen Council Activities (other 4-H activities, school, community, etc.)	10%
<b>Section 4</b>	Essay (answer to questions)	20%
<b>Section 5</b>	Neatness & Organization	5%

### **Notification:**

All applicants will be notified of the results as soon as possible after June 15 of the current year. Where and when possible, the scholarship/grant will be presented at the high school graduation program. Thanks for your interest, and best wishes for your continued success.

### **Management:**

The Cortland County 4-H Teen Council Scholarship/Grant Fund will be held and managed by "The Robert P. Blatchley Cortland County 4-H Foundation, Inc." Additional funds may be added to the 4-H Teen Council Fund. Only the annual interest earned by the 4-H Teen Council Fund will be made available for scholarship grants. The 4-H Teen Council is encouraged to hold at least one fundraising program annually, with the proceeds being given to the scholarship fund.

**CORTLAND COUNTY 4-H TEEN COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years as a 4-H Teen Council Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Years as a 4-H Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Current 4-H member: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major or Area of interest in continued education for which this scholarship would be used: \_\_\_\_\_

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References: Two letters of recommendation are required to support your application. References from family members will not be accepted. List below the names, positions and phone numbers of the persons from whom you requested the references. You may request more than two.

Name	Position	Phone No.
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_____	_____	_____

**Signatures Required:**

Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Teen Council Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(I certify that this information is correct, to the best of my knowledge)

(For Official use only:      Date Application Received: \_\_\_\_\_)

**FOLLOW DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY**

On (8 1/2" x 11") paper, type the following information. Limit answers to each inquiry to a maximum of the ten most significant items. Do not include additional materials, or repeat items in more than one section.

**Section 1.** List the activities participated in as a 4-H Teen Council Member (i.e. meetings attended, community service, trips, fundraising, etc.).

- A. Provide (estimate if number is not known) the number or percentage of monthly 4-H Teen Council meetings you attended during each of the past two years.
- B. List up to ten (10) community service activities, which you participated in as a 4-H Teen council member.
- C. List any trip(s) you participated in as a 4-H Teen Council Member.
- D. List what fundraising activities you participated in as a 4-H Teen Council Member.
- E. List any special educational programs you participated in as a 4-H Teen Council Member. (i.e. Teen evaluator, 4-H Achievement Night Program, assisted other county 4-H activities such as 4-H Teen Leader at the Cortland County Jr. Fair or NYS Fair, etc.)

**Section 2.** List what leadership roles you shared as a 4-H Teen Council Member.

- A. What officer roles/positions (if any) and what year(s) did you hold them?
- B. If there were any committees, what ones did you serve on, were you a chair or co-chair, and what year(s) were you on them?

**Section 3.** List non-4-H Teen Council Activities you participated in.

- A. What other 4-H Activities (i.e. other 4-H club(s) you may have belonged to and what years, special projects or programs participated in i.e. quiz bowl, public presentations, fairs, etc.)
- B. What school activities outside of classes, i.e. sports, clubs, special programs, etc?
- C. What community activities, i.e. other than 4-H or school?
- D. Others (if any not included above).

**Section 4.** In an essay format of a minimum of 150 and a maximum of 300 words provide answers to the following questions:

- A. Many youth become a 4-H member for a variety of reasons. What attracted you to become a 4-H Teen Council Member?
- B. Hopefully 4-H has provided many growth opportunities for you. What have you gained from being a 4-H Teen Council Member?
- C. Pick one of the following and include in your essay:
  - You have made a new friend, who is not a 4-H member, what would you say to him/her to convince them about the value of being in 4-H?
  - You are being interviewed for a new job and must explained how your involvement as 4-H'er will help you be a better employee.
  - If you could relive your time as a 4-H'er, what would you do differently, and why?