# L.I.F.E. Scholarship Application

# 2024 Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

## Scholarship Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the L.I.F.E. Scholarship, the applicant must:

1. Be a current 4-H/F.F.A./Art/Ag Mechanics/Home Economics -student/member in good standing;
2. Attend public school, private school, or be home-schooled in Webb County; and
3. Be a graduating Junior or Senior.

## Scholarship Guidelines

Scholarship applications will be accepted, evaluated, and awarded based on the following guidelines:

1. Completed scholarship **applications are due TBD** to the L.I.F.E. office before 4:00PM.
2. **THE SELECTION COMMITTEE IS NOT PART OF THE L.I.F.E. OFFICE, L.I.F.E. BOARD or L.I.F.E. MEMBERSHIP.**

The Scholarship Selection Committee will review and evaluate applications based on theeligibility requirements and submission of a complete application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted or reviewed. A complete application includes: 1) Application Certification Form with all required information and signatures; 2) Signed Cover Letter; and 3) Application Form.

Scholarship applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

* 1. Cover Letter 5 pts
  2. Academics 15 pts
  3. L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Class/Student Project Experiences 10 pts
  4. L.I.F.E. Volunteerism 15 pt
  5. L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Club/Student Leadership 15 pts
  6. L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Club/Student Community Service 10 pts
  7. L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Club/Student Honors/Awards 10 pts
  8. Other Non-4-H/F.F.A. Activities/Club/Student 5 pts
  9. Essay 15 pts

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1. Evaluation of items above will be based on the Application Guidelines distributed with the application.
2. Selected Scholarship recipients will be **recognized** at the L.I.F.E Scholarship Reception date to be announced. (TBD)
3. Scholarship Award winners will be presented with their award at Scholarship night.

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1. Complete all parts of the application before submitting for consideration.
2. Margins should remain at 1 inch and use no smaller than a 12-point font.
3. All applications **should be typed or completed using a computer/printer.**
4. Do not place application in a binder, cover, sheet protectors, etc. Assemble the application by stapling all the documents in a sealed 9X12 envelope. The documents should be in the following order:
   * 1. Cover Letter
     2. Application Certification
     3. Application Form

***Transcripts are not required for application***

1. Each section of the application will be evaluated using the descriptions to complete the required sections of the application:
   1. Cover Letter (5 pts) – This should be on a separate sheet of standard paper (no business letterhead) and should reflect your personal experiences, your interest in pursuing higher education, and your career interests. You should also describe how you have prepared yourself to understand the degree and career choices you have selected. You may share anything that is not asked as part of the application. The letter should be no more than one page (front side only).
   2. Academics (15 pts) – Provide a signed verification of the most recent GPA based on 100 point scale. This should be signed by a school official that has authorization to determine and report student’s GPA.
   3. L.I.F.E./4-H /F.F.A/Club/Student Project Experiences (10 pts) – This section should reflect the years involved, knowledge and skills gained, the scope of your project, why these projects were important, and what impact they have had on you. The emphasis should be on quality of your experiences.
   4. L.I.F.E.Volunteerism (15 pts) – This section should reflect participation and involvement as a volunteer. This includes exhibiting projects and volunteering at L.I.F.E. events. Describe the extent of participation, level of volunteerism, etc. Volunteer work should be described in detail.
   5. L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A. Club/Student Leadership (15 pts) – This section should reflect major leadership roles to include elected/appointed leadership as well as volunteer leadership. Emphasis should be placed on why these activities are important and what impact your involvement had on these activities and other people.
   6. L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A./Club/Student Community Service (10 pts) – This section should reflect community service activities, your level of involvement, and the impact that your involvement had on the activities and other people. Emphasis should be on quality rather than quantity.
   7. L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A./Club/Student Honors/Awards (10 pts) – Emphasis should be on the most important honors and awards that have been received and why those awards are the most important. This section should also reflect how these awards have helped your personal development.
   8. Other Non-L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A./Club/Student Activities (5 pts) – This section should reflect your involvement in other activities outside of L.I.F.E/4-H/F.F.A. and why those activities are important to you. This might include other school, community, or church groups
   9. Essay: (15 pts)-This section should reflect **How has your participation at the Laredo International Fair** **& Exposition influenced your decision to pursue a College education**. Please write an essay of a minimum of 300 words and no more than a 500-word essay explaining your response.

Applicant Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

Email address

Date

L.I.F.E. Scholarship Committee

<< mailing address >>

<< city, state zip >>

SAMPLE COVER LETTER

Dear Committee:

Use this part of the letter to address the committee with information referenced in the guidelines.

SAMPLE COVER LETTER

Sincerely,

<Applicant signature here>

Applicant Name

**2022 L.I.F.E Scholarship Application Certification**

**Submission Deadline – TBD**

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| City | Zip | | E-mail address | | | | | |
|  | | | Current 4-H/F.F.A. member of Webb County?  Public/private/homeschool in Webb County?  Are you a graduating Junior or Senior?  Will you be attending Laredo College | | | | Y N  Y N  Y N  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  Y N | |
| Number of years in 4-H?  Number of years in F.F.A?  Number of years in Art/Home Economics/Ag Mechanics Class? | |  |
| GPA (weighted, 100 point scale) *4.0/5.0 scales must be converted to 100-point scale.* | |  |  | | | | | |
| Currently in AP classes?  Currently in concurrent enrollment? | | Y N Y N | Primary 4-H Club/F.F.A. Chapter/Art/Home Economics/Ag Mechanics Class? | | | | | |
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| Counselor/Principal/School Official Signature | | | Other (Secondary) 4-H Club/F.F.A.(not sure if we need this dup) | | | | | |
| I certify that the information contained herein is correct and truthfully reflects my personal information, club, chapter, and academic background and school records. I agree that, if any information contained herein is found to have been falsified in any way, my application will automatically become null and void. I further agree to forfeit any award that I may be eligible for or have already received. I have read and will abide by the scholarship rules and guidelines. | | | | | | | | |
| Applicant Signature | | | | Date | | | | |
| Parent/Guardian Signature | | | | Date | | | | |
| **I certify that this applicant has been enrolled in the 4-H/F.F.A./Art/ program during the required time frame as indicated by the eligibility requirements, and I recommend the applicant and his/her application to be considered for a L.I.F.E. Scholarship.** | | | | | | | | |
| Club Manager/F.F.A. Instructor Name/Signature | | | | Date | | | | |
| Teacher/Sponsor Name/Signature | | | | Date | | | | |
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| Date Received: | | Received By: | | |

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h. Other Non-L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A. Activities (5 pts) – This section should reflect your involvement in other activities outside of 4-H and why those activities were important to you. This might include other school, community, or church groups.

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