Background and Purpose

 "Kathy Blackford Scholarship" was established in 2021 in honor of retired Ashland County 4-H Educator Kathy Blackford. This scholarship will be awarded annually to current active members in the Ashland County 4-H program.

These Scholarships will be awarded to **CURRENT ACTIVE** High School seniors in the Ashland County 4-H Program.

Award and Presentation

The Kathy Blackford Scholarship will be awarding a one-time minimum \$500 scholarship. Depending on number of applicants, numerous awards may be given. A panel of judges will make the selection. Applicate names are not given to the judges, each applicant is assigned a number after submitting their application.

- Scholarships will be awarded at their high school senior awards assembly.
- Name and picture will be displayed in the Jr. Fair building at the Ashland County fair.
- Winners will be honored at the 2024-H Awards Banquet.
 - You and your parents will attend as our guests (3 tickets).

Selection Procedure and Criteria

- 1. Current active Ashland County 4-H member being enrolled at least 3 consecutive years 2023, 2022, 2021 (verified by Extension office) and with all projects judged.
- 2. Current High School Senior
 - a. Student to be enrolled in an accredited college, field of study not limited, or Trade school this fall 2024

To apply for scholarship:

Applicant must complete a Kathy Blackford Scholarship Application form and attach the following items for reference purposes:

- 1. A current high school transcript with an official seal (scholarship selection is not based on applicants grades.)
- **2.** Two (2) letters of recommendation. (NO family member may used)
 - **a.** One (1) from a current 4-H Advisor, or 4-H Committee member
 - **b.** One (1) from a Teacher, Academic Advisor, Guidance Counselor, Employer, Minister or other community leader
- **3.** Narrative 4-H Story ---- that shares how:
 - "4-H contributed to Your personal development" Leadership skills, and Career plans
 - ***one page double spaced***
- 4. Describe one page double spaced
 - "Your Educational plan and field of study and designated occupation"
- 5. Application must be legible.

Please complete application and attachments, put in sealed envelope and mail or deliver to:
OSU Extension Ashland County 110 Cottage Street, Ashland, Ohio 44805

Application is due April 30, 2024

No Late applications will be considered

^{**}Note: May 1st 2025 deadline to redeemed, (after this date scholarship will be forfeited)



2024 Kathy Blackford Scholarship Application



Name					
First	М	iddle	l	_ast	
Address					
AddressStreet		City		Zip Code	
Home phone			Cell	phone	
County of Residence			Date	e of Birth	
Parents or Guardian's Name					
	Mother				
	Father				
Parents or Guardian Addres	s (if different th	nan above			
High School attending					
4-H Club				Years Enrolled_	
4-H Advisor					
What College or Trade scho	ol/credited trai	ning do you plan t	o attend		
Location					
Study Major					
Have you applied?	yes	no			
Have you been accepted?	yes	no	_pending		
When do you plan to attend	l college?				
	Applicant	Signature			
	Parent Sig	nature			
	Advisor Si	gnature			

**NOTE - Project enrollm	ent and Com	pletion at Fair w	ill be checke	ed!!	
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Deadline – April 30, 2024				Application #	(office use only)



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1.	How many years have you been a 4-H member?
2.	What 4-H projects are you taking this year? (Must be completed and judged)
3.	What other projects have you taken in your 4-H career and list the year?
4.	What has been your favorite 4-H project and why?
5.	What has been the most challenging project and why?



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6.	What 4-H Awards you have received and list the years?
7.	What 4-H Activities have you participated in and please include the year of participation? Including your role in the activity. (For example: Did you hold a leadership position?)
8.	What High School activities have you participated in? Please include the year & individual role.
9.	What are your Community Activities? Please include your involvement, explaining what you did.
10.	. What are your Greatest "Memories" in 4-H?