

# John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarships

Through the generosity of John Deere Canada, 15 scholarships – valued at \$1,000 each – are available to 4-H members who plan to pursue a post-secondary education at a Canadian college or university in a degree, certificate or trade-based program in September 2017.

Distribution of the scholarships will be as follows and is meant to reflect the 4-H membership base across the country:

BC – 1	SK - 2	ON – 2	NB - 1	PE - 1
AB – 3	MB - 2	QC – 1	NS - 1	NL - 1

## Eligibility

- Applicants must be at least 16 years of age by January 1, 2017 and a current 4-H member in good standing.
- Applicants must be Canadian residents in their final year of high school, CEGEP or an undergrad student planning to attend college or university in September 2017. Applicants must be pursuing education in a degree, certificate or trade-based program.
- Complete the online application at <http://apply.4-h-canada.ca> and include the following:
  - Upload one reference letter from your community, school or 4-H leader.
  - Upload a letter of offer or acceptance to a full-time program in a college, trade school or university.
  - Background on how this scholarship will benefit you.
  - Background on your 4-H and community involvement.
  - Upload a 500-word essay (include word count) on one of two topics:
    - *How can we make positive change in our local communities?*
    - *Is technology in agriculture making positive changes to local communities and the environment?*
- Winners must agree to provide a photograph, proof of acceptance and their social insurance number to claim their award. Funds will not be released and announcements will not be made until these documents are provided.
- Applicants must grant permission to John Deere Canada and 4-H Canada to use their name, photograph, province of residence, school and area of study in publications and communications channels that promote the John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarship program. The consent form will be in the 4-H Canada online application.



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## Selection Criteria

Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee and judged on the following criteria:

- Ability to follow instructions and meet deadlines
- Quality of the essay submitted
- Reference letter provided
- 4-H involvement (including number of years, positions held and projects completed)
- Community involvement
- Confirmation of current good standing in a Canadian 4-H club
- Answer to the question “How will this scholarship benefit you in achieving your educational goals?”

In the event of a tie, winners will be selected by a random draw.

**Online applications – Applications open at 10:00 a.m. on March 1, 2017 and must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. EST on May 31, 2017.**

Winners will be notified in July 2017 and public announcements will be made in August.

Access the application link at [www.4-H-Canada.ca](http://www.4-H-Canada.ca) . If you do not already have an account on <http://apply.4-h-canada.ca>, you will need to create one to sign in. Please use Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome as your browser.

## Questions?

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