

John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarship

2026 Application Guidelines



Through the generosity of John Deere Canada, 15 scholarships – valued at \$1,000 each – are available to 4-H members across Canada who plan to pursue a post-secondary education at a Canadian college or university in a degree, certificate or trade-based program in September 2026.

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, 2026, 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 2026.
- Applicants must be pursuing education in a degree, certificate or trade-based program.
- Applicants must complete the online application at apply.4-h-canada.ca and include the following:
 - Answers to all questions in the application.
 - A letter of offer or acceptance to a full-time program in a college, trade school or university.
 - A summary of their 4-H and community involvement.
 - A 500-word essay (include word count) on one of two topics:
 - *How can we (you and others) make positive change in our local communities?*
 - *Is technology in agriculture making positive changes to local communities and the environment?*
- 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 online communication channels that promote the John Deere Canada 4-H Scholarship program. The consent form will be in the 4-H Canada online application.
- Recipients must agree to provide a headshot 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.



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
- 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

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

Online applications

Applications open at 10 a.m. ET on April 1, 2026, and must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. ET on June 1, 2026.

Recipients will be notified in July 2026, and public announcements will be made in August/September.

To apply, visit 4-h-canada.ca/scholarships or apply.4-h-canada.ca.

For more information

Have a question about this scholarship? Please contact 4-H Canada at program@4-h-canada.ca.