

## **Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship**

An invitation to All Stars in the California 4-H North Central Section

This \$500 scholarship is given in memory of Joanne Ward, a long time 4-H volunteer from Sacramento County. She was a dedicated leader and advised many All Star teams during her lifetime. Her devotion and motivation to teaching young people made her a valuable asset to the community. Her ideals are applied to this scholarship selection: leadership, community involvement, integrity, and personal growth.

### **Selection criteria:**

- Must be a current 4-H member in good standing in a county of the North Central Section and have served as an All Star.
- Must be a graduating high school senior or have passed the CHSPE or GED. Current 4-H members who meet all the criteria and are currently enrolled in a community college or institution of higher learning are also eligible to apply.
- Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must plan to study full time at a college/university, community college, or vocational school of applicant's choice.

### **Complete Application to Include:**

- Completed Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship Application
- Application signed by a staff person at the applicant's 4-H county office who can verify the applicant is a 4-H member in good standing.
- A commentary of your reasons for applying for this scholarship including career plans, goals, objectives, how 4-H has influenced this choice, and how you think your 4-H experience will help you achieve your educational goals. Point out how being an All Star enriched your 4-H experience. Maximum of four (4) pages, typed, double-spaced, at least 11 point font. Please include your name on each page. In addition:
  - Summarize your most meaningful 4-H activities throughout your years in 4-H. Limit 1 page
  - Summarize your leadership both in and outside of 4-H. Limit 1 page.
  - Summarize your citizenship activities, both in and outside of 4-H. Limit 1 page.
  - Summarize your All Star projects and experiences. Limit 1 page

Three letters of reference:

- One from a 4-H Volunteer Leader unrelated to applicant.
- One from your All Star advisor unrelated to applicant.
- One from a teacher, counselor, or other person within the community unrelated to applicant.
- Each letter of reference must be in a sealed envelope, signed by the writer along the seal. These must be included in the application packet, not sent separately.

A copy of applicant's high school transcript. It may be an unofficial copy.

- Send completed application packet with all required forms by April 28 to: Sonoma County 4-H Office C/o North Central Section 4-H Council Scholarship Committee 133 Aviation Blvd, Suite 109 Santa Rosa CA 95403

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### **Judging Criteria:**

The primary criteria for this scholarship are level, quality, and quantity of 4-H participation and community involvement. The Selection Committee will consider the following:

- Leadership and Citizenship exhibited both within the 4-H program and the community
- Level of 4-H participation (project, club, county, section, state).
- Participation in the county All Star program
- Evidence of personal growth and striving towards personal goals

### **Application Deadline:**

This application must be completed in full and received by 5:00 PM on April 28, 2015 along with all required documents to be considered by the North Central Section 4-H Council Scholarship Committee. An application and/or accompanying documents received after 5:00 PM on April 28 will not be considered.

### **Disqualifying factors include:**

- Failure to provide a required element
- Inclusion of extra pages not requested
- Receipt of any part of the application packet after the deadline

### **Scholarship awards**

Scholarships will be announced by May 30. The checks will be awarded after receiving official verification of full time college/university or vocational school enrollment. (Full time is as defined by the institution.) Scholarships will not be held beyond one school year of the date awarded unless prior committee approval has been requested and approved.

### **Dual Applications - Special Notice**

If you are submitting applications for both the Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship and the North Central Section 4-H Leaders' Council Scholarship, you may use the application for the Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship and submit only this one to cover both applications.

**Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship APPLICATION**  
**Year: 2015**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First \_\_\_\_\_ MiddleLast \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (        ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

Highest Star Rank attained: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of high school: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CHSPE or GED Exam (mo/yr) \_\_\_\_\_

For what business or profession are you preparing? \_\_\_\_\_

To which college, university, or trade school have you applied? \_\_\_\_\_

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In which subject do you plan to major? \_\_\_\_\_

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

The applicant is a current 4-H member in good standing.

4-H Staff or designee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship Recommendation Form

**Applicant:** Please give a copy of this page to a 4-H Volunteer Leader and other reference person to complete. Include this recommendation in its sealed envelope with your scholarship application packet. One additional page may be accepted from each reference, such as a letter.

**Reference Person Instructions:** Please return this completed form to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal. The applicant will submit it to the Selection Committee in the application packet. It will not be shown to or discussed with the 4-H member. Your honest opinion is important to the selection committee. Thank you.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name)

Recommendation by: \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name)

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

**Circle one:**      4-H Leader      Teacher/Counselor/Community Person

How would you rate the applicant:

	Outstanding	Strong	Average	Poor	Unknown
1. 4-H Program participation					
2. Leadership capabilities					
3. Self Confidence					
4. Ability to work with others					
5. Involvement in school/community activities					
6. Maturity					

To help in our selection process, please tell us why you would or would not recommend this applicant for the Joanne Ward Memorial Scholarship. If more space is required, one additional page may be attached.

I recommend this candidate: \_\_\_\_\_  
    Very strongly      Strongly      With reservations      Not at all

Comments:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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