TOMBALL FFA BOOSTER CLUB
2024 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM
APPLICATION
www.tomball.ffanow.org
For 2024, Scholarships will be given to Tomball High School FFA members as funds allow and based upon scholarship applications.
(Must be computer generated/typed)
STUDENT'S NAME:
PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAMES: $\qquad$
ADDRESS: $\qquad$ HOME PHONE \#: $\qquad$
$\qquad$ CELL PHONE \#: $\qquad$
EMAIL ADDRESS: $\qquad$

## PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM

To assist and encourage a qualified graduating senior who has a desire to further his/her education at an institution of higher learning, whether it be a trade/technical school, college or university.

## QUALIFICATIONS:

Qualification for a Tomball High School FFA Booster Club scholarship requires the student's family to have been a member in good standing in the organization for at least one (1) year prior to the student's senior ( $12^{\text {th }}$ grade) year at Tomball High School. The family must also be a member in good standing in the organization during the student's senior (12 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ grade) year at Tomball High School. An exception will be made for any student transferring into THS prior to or including the student's senior year. All other eligibility requirements must be met for the current year.

## ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must be a graduating Tomball High School senior who will have completed at least five (5) semesters (or $21 / 2$ years) of Agricultural Education from Tomball High School.

The applicant must have an overall $75 \%$ (C/2.5) or greater grade point average through the first semester of his/her senior year.
The applicant must submit a copy of his/her official high school transcript, signed and sealed by the school registrar, with the Tomball FFA Booster Club Scholarship Application.

In the event of a transfer student:

1. Credits will be determined by the student's transcript;
2. A letter of recommendation from the student's former Ag teacher in a sealed envelope must be submitted;
3. Student must have completed at least five (5) semesters (or $21 / 2$ years) of Agricultural Education from the previous high school;
4. A member must have paid membership dues and satisfied all other financial obligations to the Organization at or before the November meeting.

## APPLICATION

The applicant must provide a sealed letter of recommendation from a Tomball High School staff member, excluding an agricultural teacher.

The applicant must be in good standing ${ }^{*}$ in both school and community.
The applicant must have already earned or currently be seeking the State FFA Degree.
*-Good standing means having no outstanding fees or dues owed to the Tomball FFA and or Tomball FFA Booster Club.

## SELECTION PROCESS

Each applicant will be carefully examined and considered through an evaluation process, using an accurate scoring system to determine those to be selected.
The evaluation will be divided into the following categories: (see score sheet for points)

1. Scholastic Achievement (Academic G.P.A. and Agricultural Education G.P.A.) verified by a sealed transcript
2. FFA Leadership, Involvement and Activities
3. Other School Leadership and Activities
4. Community Leadership and Activities
5. Personal Essay
6. Personal Interview (in official dress)
7. Sealed Letter of Recommendation

All applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Selection Committee selected by the Tomball FFA Booster Club Scholarship Committee and at least one THS Agriculture Teacher for accuracy of information and scoring. The candidates that qualify will be given a date and time to have their personal interview. The interviewers will then add the interview points to the application. Scholarships will be announced at the Tomball FFA Annual Spring Awards Banquet. Applicants must be present at the Spring Awards Ceremony unless prior notice of an extenuating circumstance is given to the THS Agriculture Teachers.

All applications become the property of the Tomball FFA Booster Club.

## February 1, 2024- Applications will be made available online at www.tomball.ffanow.org

Deadline for submitting a printed application to the Career Counselor's Office at Tomball High School with Mrs. Emily Nichols is: 2:45 p.m. Friday, April 12, 2024

## Absolutely no late applications will be accepted!!

QUESTIONS? Contact Nikki Johnson, Tomball FFA Booster Club Scholarship Chairman at 281-906-4163 or contact one of the ag teachers at Tomball High School.

The Scholarship Committee's decisions will be announced at the Annual Tomball FFA Spring Awards Banquet or in the event of cancellation of the Spring Banquet, a date to be determined by the Tomball FFA Booster Club will be given to applicants.

## SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT AND METHOD OF PAYMENT

Distribution of scholarship funds will begin when the Tomball FFA Booster Club Executive Committee becomes satisfied with the student's proof of enrollment and a qualifying course of study is assured. A minimum number of twelve (12) course hours per semester must be registered by the student with his/her selected degree granting institution. The initial scholarship award will be made at the beginning of the first semester payable directly to students. The second scholarship award will be made payable to the same at the start of the second semester only after sufficient proof of the student's successful completion of the first semester with a 75 (C/2.5) or greater G.P.A has been supplied. Any student that provides insufficient proof (ie. forged documentation, including transcripts or any document provided as proof of eligibility) will forfeit the remainder of the scholarship funds. Please mail requested sufficient proof of enrollment to Tomball FFA Booster Club, P.O. Box 854, Tomball, TX 77377 in order to receive scholarship funds!

The Tomball FFA Booster Club does not discriminate in awarding this scholarship on the basis of race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex or handicap.

I understand that $\qquad$ has completed a Tomball FFA Booster Club
(Applicant Name)
Scholarship application.
(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT

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Agricultural Education
Courses completed and those in which you are currently enrolled:

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## OTHER SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

Membership and activities in any school organizations OTHER than those in FFA should be listed here. Things such as STUCO, Athletic teams, Band, Choir, Honor Societies, etc. Please list them in order by year beginning with your freshman year and ending with your senior year.

POINTS WILL NOT BE GIVEN FOR INFORMATION NOT LISTED. THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE WILL NOT ASSUME ANYTHING!

FRESHMAN

## SOPHIVORE

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JUNIOR
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SENIOR

## OTHER COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

Membership and activities in any organizations outside of school such as Church, Key Clubs, Scouts, etc. Include any officer positions, awards, and honors as well. Please list them in year order beginning with your freshman year and ending with your senior year. Please include a contact person and telephone number for verification of information.

POINTS WILL NOT BE GIVEN FOR INFORMATION NOT LISTED. THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE WILL NOT ASSUME ANYTHING!

FRESHMAN
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## FFA LEADERSHIP, INVOLVEMENT AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Membership in Leadership and Career Development Events (List EACH event and mark appropriate level for each contest; Example: Tarleton State Invitational, Katy Inv. Deer Park Inv., etc.); Stock Show Participation (Include all shows each year you participated); FFA Officer Activities (List all offices held and any officer involved activity (Include all District, Area, and State Conventions attended); Other FFA Sponsored Activities (Include any other FFA activities such as Star Greenhand, Chapter or State member, any proficiency awards, or outstanding senior, OR FFA Community Service activities, etc.)
Please list your activities according to the year you participated in them.
The committee may NOT know you; therefore, NO POINTS WILL BE GIVEN FOR INFORMATION NOT LISTED FRESHMAN YEAR

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Stock Shows:

FFA Officer and Leadership Activities:

FFA Community Service Activities:

Other FFA Activities:

| SOPHMORE YEAR |
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| LDE: Invitational District Area State National |
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Stock Shows:

FFA Officer and Leadership Activities:

FFA Community Service Activities:

Other FFA Activities:

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Stock Shows:

FFA Officer and Leadership Activities:

FFA Community Service Activities:

Other FFA Activities:

SENIOR YEAR

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Stock Shows:

FFA Officer and Leadership Activities:

FFA Community Service Activities:

Other FFA Activities:

## PERSONAL ESSAY

A personal essay of NO LESS than 300 words should be typed by the applicant and submitted WITH the application.

The essay should include the three (3) specific topics outlined below:

1. What the Agricultural Education program has meant to me.
2. What the Tomball FFA Booster Club scholarship will mean to my family and me. Include financial need and the number of siblings currently in college.
3. Why I should be awarded the Tomball FFA Booster Club Scholarship.

Please be particularly attentive to grammatical and spelling correctness.

## PERSONAL INTERVIEW

All applicants will be required to conduct a personal interview session, not to exceed 15 minutes, with the Scholarship Selection Committee.

The applicants will be contacted by the Scholarship Committee Chairman with the time, date and place of their interview. The applicant MUST BE IN OFFICIAL DRESS.

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT - ACADEMIC G.P.A.: (Max points = 10)
Using the information provided, assign the applicant points for his/her Academic Grade Point Average.

| GRADE RANGE | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $101+$ | 10 points |  |
| $95-100$ | 9 points |  |
| $90-94$ | 8 points |  |
| $85-89$ | 7 points |  |
| $80-84$ | 6 points |  |
| $75-79$ | 5 points |  |
| Less than 75 |  |  |

AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION G.P.A. (Max points = 15)
Using the information provided, assign the applicant points for his/her Agricultural Grade Point Average.

| GRADE RANGE | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $95-100$ | 15 points |  |
| $90-94$ | 13 points |  |
| $85-89$ | 11 points |  |
| $80-84$ | 9 points |  |
| $75-79$ | 7 points |  |
| Less than 75 | 5 points |  |

OTHER SCHOOL LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES (Max Points 10) (1 activity = 1 point up to 10 points max)
Based on the information in the application, assign points using the scale below.

| ACTIVITY LEVEL | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |  |  |
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| Extremely Involved (at least 7 activities) | $7-10$ |  |  |  |
| Average Involvement (4-6 activities) | $4-6$ |  |  |  |
| Little Involvement (1-3 activities) | $1-3$ |  |  |  |
| TOTAL OTHER SCHOOL LEADERSHIP POINTS |  |  |  |  |

## OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES (Max Points 10)

Based on the information in the application, assign points using the scale below.

| ACTIVITY LEVEL | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |  |  |
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| Extremely Involved (at least 7 activities) | $7-10$ |  |  |  |
| Average Involvement (4-6 activities) | $4-6$ |  |  |  |
| Little Involvement (1-3 activities) | $1-3$ |  |  |  |
| TOTAL OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES POINTS <br> Do not duplicate FFA community services |  |  |  |  |

## FFA LEADERSHIP, INVOLVEMENT AND ACTIVITIES

Based on the information in the application, assign points using the scale below.


| LEVEL | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |  |
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| Excellent | $4-5$ |  |  |
| Average | $2-3$ |  |  |
| Unsatisfactory | 1 |  |  |
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PERSONAL INTERVIEW (Max Points 25 - these points will be added to the total application points)
After conducting the Personal Interview with the scholarship applicant, please use the following scale to assign points for his/her performance. Official Dress Required. Applicants not in Official Dress will not be given points.

| LEVEL | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Excellent | $15-25$ |  |  |
| Average | $5-14$ |  |  |
| Unsatisfactory | $1-4$ |  |  |
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## Letter of Recommendation, Sealed

| LEVEL | POINT BREAKDOWN | POINTS AWARDED |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Excellent | 3 |  |  |
| Average | 2 |  |  |
| Unsatisfactory | 1 |  |  |
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