

Gunnison Valley Cattlewomen Memorial Scholarship

SECTION I

PURPOSE:

There will be at least one one-year scholarship (multiple scholarships could be given) in the amount of no less than \$1,000 awarded to an individual having completed the graduate requirements of Gunnison RE1J Watershed School District and who is pursuing educational opportunities beyond high school. Consideration will be given to academic record, agricultural background and interest, financial need, leadership ability and community contribution. **Applicants are not required to have a family member who is a member of Gunnison Valley Cattlewomen to be eligible to apply.**

GENERAL RULES & QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Applications are due to the GHS Counselor's Office no later than April 14, 2024.
2. Applicants must have completed the graduate requirements of Gunnison RE1J Watershed School District.
3. Applicants must enroll in an institution of higher learning in the fall of the year of application.
4. Applicants shall submit with this application his/her official transcript(s) from high school and/or college attended.
5. Applicants shall submit two letters of reference from non-relatives describing applicant's character and responsibility.
6. Applicants shall appear for a brief informal interview with the scholarship selection committee.

It is possible that the student selected as the recipient will not have points in all areas listed in the criteria section. The student with the greatest number of points will be awarded the scholarship. The decision of the scholarship committee will be final.

The Gunnison Valley Cattlewomen, in the recipient's name, will pay the amount of \$500.00 directly to the institution in which the recipient is enrolled. Scholarship recipients will be required to provide the contact information of the school's Registrar for submission of scholarship monies.

If for any reason the recipient does not attend the institution as planned, the award will be forfeited and presented to the applicant with the next highest points.

Past recipients of the scholarship are not eligible applicants.

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Section II

Application Scoring

SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

A. Grade Point Average	20 points
B. Organization Affiliation and Agricultural Background	30 points
C. Financial Need	10 points
D. Character & Responsibility	10 points
E. Leadership Experience	15 points
F. Future Agricultural & Community Contributions	<u>15 points</u>
Total Possible Points	100 points

SECTION III. WRITTEN APPLICATION

Return this section to the GHS Counselor’s Office no later than Friday, April 12th.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

LEVEL OF EDUCATION (FALL 2023): _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE: _____

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ATTENDING: _____

ACADEMIC MAJOR: _____

(Attach transcript to written application before submitting.)

Based on criteria in Section II: Are your parents current or past members of Gunnison Valley Cattlewomen or Gunnison County Stockgrowers?

YES

NO

If yes, state member’s name and organization:

Have you ever completed a 4-H or FFA livestock project? If so, describe the project.

FINANCIAL NEED:

Write a brief statement regarding financial need. Answer should include a description of how the student will be financing his/her education, financial aid received, and jobs held.

CHARACTER AND RESPONSIBILITY:

Please submit two letters of reference from persons not related to you, focusing on your character and responsibility.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

On a separate sheet of paper, list various activities, offices held, awards and honors received and attach it to the application before submitting.

FUTURE PLANS AND COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS:

On a separate sheet of paper, please make a personal statement describing:

- (1) Your goals for the future.
- (2) What role agriculture has played in your life and/or might in the future.
- (3) Why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship.