

Policy Guidelines on Use of 4-H Scholarship Dollars

Forsyth County 4-H Program

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A 4-H scholarship account will be maintained to recognize participation and achievement of Forsyth County 4-H members. Scholarships may be awarded for activities as deemed necessary by the 4-H staff to encourage participation in programs that meet the overall objectives of 4-H youth development. These may include but are not limited to the following: Yearly 4-H Projects, Cumulative Records, 4-H Presentations, 4-H Horse Program, other programs that warrant the use of scholarships to reward participation.

Listed below are policies to be used by 4-H members to redeem scholarship dollars.

1. When a 4-H member leaves the program, the unused balance in their scholarship account will be reverted to the 4-H general account.
2. If a 4-H member leaves the county (becomes a resident of a different county) but remains an active member in the Forsyth County 4-H Program then scholarship dollars may continue to be used for Forsyth County 4-H events or as a representative for the Forsyth County 4-H program. This does not apply to the cost of participating in another county 4-H program.
3. When a 4-H member reaches their 19th birthday (as of January 1st of the current year) and is no longer eligible for 4-H competition, they forfeit any balance of their individual scholarship account.
4. Scholarship money may be used to cover registration costs for county, district, state or national 4-H events (workshops, retreats, camps, etc.) and are non-refundable once the registration deadline has passed.
5. Scholarship money may be used for 4-H project supplies (i.e., a camera for a 4-H photography project, fabric for a 4-H sewing project, purchase of an animal for a 4-H livestock project, etc.). Receipts for the purchase of these items must be submitted to the 4-H office before a check is written to the 4-H member (or their parent). The item must have been purchased during the past three months and NO OTHER items should be listed on the receipt.
6. The 4-H office reserves the right to seek clarification as to how the item relates to your 4-H project and to decline payment.
7. Generally scholarship money is non-transferable between 4-H members. In the case of two or more siblings in one family, one may transfer to the other with the specific written, consent of the one relinquishing funds.
8. As with any policy there will be special hardship cases involving 4-H'ers and the use of their scholarship dollars. In these cases the 4-H staff will review each case individually and come to some mutual agreement.
9. Effective April 1, 2012: in order to receive scholarship dollars, all 4-Hers must annually sell \$25 worth of plants at the 4-H plant sale in March. (There is a blank on the order form where your name can be listed as the person selling the plants.)
10. **Reimbursement is subject to fund availability!**

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Questions concerning your 4-H scholarship account should be directed to Kathy Hepler, 4-H Secretary, at 703-2852 or kathy_hepler@ncsu.edu.

4-H Scholarship Dollars Guide

This is your guide to how many 4-H Scholarship dollars are available in the many areas you can participate in Forsyth County 4-H.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Placing/ Participation</u>	<u>Scholarship Dollars Awarded</u>
Cloverbuds	Participation	\$5.00
9-18 Year Olds	County Champion	\$15.00
9-18 Year Olds	Blue Ribbon	\$8.00
9-18 Year Olds	Red Ribbon	\$5.00
Any District or State Competition Any	Participation	\$15.00
Regional or National Competition	Participation	\$25.00
Portfolios (13-18)	Participation	\$25.00 per record (limit 2)
Plant Sale/Most \$ Sales Club	1 st Place in \$ Sold	\$50.00
Plant Sale/Most \$ Sales 4-H'er	1 st Place in \$ Sold	\$50.00
	2 nd Place in \$ Sold	\$30.00
	3 rd Place in \$ Sold	\$15.00
Jr. Workshop Leader	Participation	Varies with duties and job performance

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