

**Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™  
2009 FCCLA Scholarship Application**

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo will award four-year, \$15,000 scholarships to ten (10) outstanding members of the Texas Association, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

**APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Applications are furnished by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo directly to the Texas Association, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America for dissemination. Applications should be completed in full and returned to the Association, which will carry out the application process, evaluation procedure and determination of recipients of the 10 scholarships awarded by the Show.

**Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2009 and mailed to:**

FCCLA  
6513 Circle S Road  
Austin, Texas 78745

***Do Not Place Applications In Folders, Binders Or In Protective Sheet Covers. Do Not Submit Applications Copied On Two Sides. Do Not Attach Resumes; Fill Out the Requested Information In The Allotted Space.***

**APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, an applicant must meet criteria of citizenship, character, residence, academic standing, membership in FCCLA, college/university enrollment plans, demonstration of leadership, character, citizenship and economic need.

**Citizenship/Residency:** Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or be born in the United States and a resident of the state of Texas. **If place of birth of applicant as indicated on application and/or transcript is other than the United States, appropriate proof of citizenship must be furnished. Applications submitted without proof of citizenship will not be considered. , i.e., a copy of the photo page of a valid U. S. passport, a copy of Naturalization Certificate or a birth certificate for U. S. Citizen Born Abroad.** Students with permanent resident status are not eligible to apply.

**Academic Standing:** The applicant must be a graduating senior ranked in the upper quarter (1/4) of his/her graduating class at the completion of the first grading period of his/her senior year. This ranking is to be verified as part of the official transcript or by an accompanying certification from an appropriate school official. Applicant's scholastic average is to be reported on the application, expressed as a numerical percentage or as a grade point ratio with the scale indicated. **An explanation of the grade scale must accompany the application or be part of the official transcript.**

**Graduation:** The applicant must graduate at the end of the Spring semester immediately following the award of the scholarship.

**College Entrance Examination:** ***No application will be accepted without SAT OR ACT test scores.*** The applicant must have taken either the SAT or ACT college entrance examination prior to submission of the application and furnish proof of a minimum SAT score of 1350 (*critical reading, math and writing COMBINED*) or a minimum ACT score of 19. The applicant **must** provide a copy of the Official Test Results with the application. The highest test score will be used for evaluation but scores from different test dates will not be combined.

**FCCLA Membership Requirement:** The applicant must be a member in good standing of the Texas Association, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America and be eligible to compete for an FCCLA college scholarship to be used beginning with the fall semester of the year in which the scholarship is awarded.

**Collegiate Acceptance/Enrollment:** The applicant must enroll or plan to enroll in either a college or university within the confines of the state of Texas and participate in a curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree. Applicant must have applied for admission at time scholarship application is submitted. Applicant must indicate choice of major and career planned. **Applications will not be accepted from students who have not applied for admission by the application deadline.**

**Activities:** Leadership potential and character of the applicant should be demonstrated through an applicant's responses to the categories of the application detailing school, extracurricular and community activities and achievements. Personal references should provide additional information as well. **Do not attach resumes; fill out the requested information in the allotted space.**

**Limit on Other Scholarships/Financial Aid:** A recipient of any Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship may not receive \$40,000 or more total from financial aid and/or any other scholarships for the four year term of an undergraduate degree. Applicants must list all financial aid and scholarships for which they have applied and the status of those awards as part of the application. If selected to receive a Show scholarship, the applicant will be notified and must verify all other financial aid and scholarships received. Other financial aid or scholarships received will be verified by submission of award letters from individual donors and financial aid offices of the college/university the recipient will attend. The scholarship award is not confirmed without such verification. Failure to disclose completely all financial aid or other scholarships shall be considered grounds for forfeiture of the award.

**Narrative:** Each applicant **must** include a typed or handwritten narrative of **no more than two**, 8 ½" x 11" sheets, double-spaced. In this narrative, the applicant may supply any information which he/she feels is pertinent to the application receiving proper consideration. There is no specific topic or theme; however, ***the narrative should clearly indicate the importance of a college education and career goals as well as give a personal insight as to the need for the scholarship. The narrative should not be a restatement of academic and/or extracurricular achievements which are stated in the application.*** Applicant's name, address, and school, district and county must be typed as a heading to the narrative in the upper right hand corner of page one. **Applications submitted without a narrative will not be considered.**

**References:** Each applicant must submit **three (3)** letters of personal reference from persons who are well acquainted with him/her. References either may be typed or handwritten and should include the name, address and daytime phone number of the person making the recommendation, as well as an indication of the person's relationship to the applicant (teacher, minister, employer, relative, etc.) These letters must be attached to the application. References should indicate knowledge of applicant's character, determination to pursue a college education and any other factors which will assist evaluation. No more than three letters may be submitted per applicant; no letter should exceed two pages in length.

**Documentation:** Each application must be accompanied by an official transcript showing academic average and grading scale through four years of high school, class size and official ranking of applicant; citizenship documentation if place of birth is other than the United States; proof of either SAT or ACT scores; certification of FCCLA membership; narrative; and references. The block containing class rank and SAT / ACT must be filled out by the school registrar where indicated. If the transcript does not list the school's grading scale, a letter with this information must be included from the registrar or counselor. **Do not attach resumes. Fill out the information requested in the spaces allotted.**

***Incomplete applications will not be accepted for consideration. Applications must be stapled only. DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS COPIED ON TWO SIDES. DO NOT PLACE APPLICATIONS IN FOLDERS, BINDERS OR USE PROTECTIVE SHEET COVERS!***

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**Applying for Other Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarships:** Applicants for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo FCCLA Scholarship also may apply for other Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo four-year, \$15,000 scholarship awards for which the applicant might be eligible (Area Go Texan, School Art, 4-H, FFA or Hildebrand). However, a student can receive only one award funded by the Show. The determination of which Show scholarship a qualified applicant will receive is made solely by the Show.

Should the recipient of any Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo four-year scholarship (Area Go Texan, FCCLA, Hildebrand, Metropolitan, Opportunity or School Art,) apply for and be designated to receive any four year scholarship of equal or greater value from either the Texas 4-H Program or Texas FFA, the recipient then must accept the 4-H or FFA award and forfeit the previously awarded Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarship.

#### **EVALUATION PROCEDURE AND NOTIFICATION OF RECIPIENTS**

For the purposes of evaluation of applicants, an evaluation committee selected by FCCLA will review all properly completed applications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants are evaluated on the basis of academics, character, leadership/citizenship and financial need.

#### **PAYMENT OF STIPEND**

It is the responsibility of the scholarship recipient to notify the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship Office of the address of the Financial Aid Office at the college or university to be attended. This notice must be given a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of each semester. Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the Financial Aid Office at the rate of \$1,875.00 per semester in which the recipient is enrolled for 12 or more semester hours and is in good standing academically. To maintain eligibility, the recipient must comply with all scholarship policies. A copy of these policies will be furnished to each recipient.

**Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ 2009 FCCLA Scholarship Application**  
(Please Type or Print Legibly in Blue or Black Ink)

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

Full name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name you prefer to be called: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a United States Citizen?:  Yes  No *(You must be a U.S. Citizen or be born in the United States to apply for any Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarship. If your place of birth is other than the U.S., proof of citizenship must be furnished with this application.)*

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **(REQUIRED)**

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female  
(Check one)

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**High School Information (Must Be Completed)**

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code Area Code

Name of Contact Person at the High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Graduating Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Grade Point Average (GPA) through the latest semester completed: \_\_\_\_\_  
***(Scholastic average must be expressed either as a numerical percentage, such as 98%, or as a ratio including the scale on which it is based, such as 3.87 / 4.0 scale. Applications without the grade scale will not be considered.)***

SAT score: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT score: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Exam(s): \_\_\_\_\_

***Applicant must have a minimum SAT score of 1350 or a minimum ACT score of 19, no application will be considered without SAT or ACT score.***

**University Information (Must Be Complete)**

Have you applied for admission to a Texas college or university?  Yes  No **(Check One)**

Have you been accepted?  Yes  No **(Check One)**

***(You must have applied to a Texas college/university for admission in order to apply for this scholarship; you must attend such an institution to be eligible to receive the award. Applications will not be considered from those who will attend out of state schools.)***

Name of College/University you expect to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™  
2009 FCCLA Scholarship  
Application Form  
(Please Type or Print Legibly in Blue or Black Ink)**

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

Full Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name you prefer to be called: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a United States Citizen?:  Yes  No *(You must be a U.S. Citizen or be born in the United States to apply for any Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarship. If your place of birth is other than the U.S., proof of citizenship must be furnished with this application.)*

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ **(REQUIRED)**

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female  
(Check one)

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY INFORMATION**

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Living?:  Yes  No

Father's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree:  Yes  No

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Living?:  Yes  No

Mother's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

College Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Years: \_\_\_\_\_ Degree:  Yes  No

**FAMILY INFORMATION, CONT.**

Check the applicable blank:

- I live at home with both parents.
- I live in a single parent household with my \_\_\_\_\_.
- Other: please explain if you live with a guardian, grandparent or have other arrangements:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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If your parents are divorced, does your non-resident parent contribute to your support?

- Yes. Amount per year \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- No.

Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Siblings: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings who will be in college at the same time as you are: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code Area Code

Contact Person at High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number for Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email address for Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Graduating Class: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS BLOCK MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRAR.**

Your Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Graduating Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholastic Grade Average for Four Years: \_\_\_\_\_ On what scale?: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Scholastic average must be expressed either as a numerical percentage, such as 98%, or as a ratio including the scale on which it is based, such as 3.87 / 4.0 scale. A copy of the school's grading system or a letter from a school official explaining the scale or grading system must accompany this application.)*

SAT score: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT score: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Exam(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Students must have a minimum SAT score of 1350 or a minimum ACT score of 19 to be eligible to apply.

Name of Registrar: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address of Registrar: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Registrar: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION, CONT.**

Have you completed any college courses: Yes No *(Check One)*

If yes, list names and hours earned:

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Have you applied for admission to a Texas college or university? Yes No *(Check One)*

Have you been accepted? Yes No *(Check One)*

*(You must have applied to a Texas college/university for admission in order to apply for this scholarship; you must attend such an institution to be eligible to receive the award. Applications will not be considered from those who will attend out of state schools.)*

List name(s) of Institution(s) to which you have applied for admission:

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Planned Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Planned Career: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have qualified for advanced placement, list subjects and hours credited:

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## ACTIVITIES, HONORS, AWARDS

### High School

In the spaces below, list any offices held or awards received in high school. If a repetitive award or recognition, please indicate years achieved. Example: National Honor Society – 3, 4. **Do not attach resumes - use the space provided.**

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### Extracurricular Activities

In the space below, please outline other clubs/activities in which you have participated, indicating any other awards, recognition or offices held.

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**ACTIVITIES, HONORS, AWARDS, CONT.**

**Community Activities**

In the space below, please outline any other activities in which you participated, indicating any special recognition you might have received. For example, church/synagogue activities or community service projects. You may attach an additional sheet if necessary.

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Community Service</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<i>Example: Race For The Cure-Breast Cancer Research</i>	<i>Organized a group of 15 to walk and raise funds; raised \$600</i>	<i>September-October 2006</i>	<i>1 month</i>

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Where a "\$" sign appears, a number is required, either actual or an estimate. "Unknown," "None" or a percentage such as 50% is not an acceptable answer.

Name of college/university you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Estimate the cost per semester including tuition, fees, housing and books: \$\_\_\_\_\_

List any miscellaneous expenses you anticipate:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Savings and cash available at start of college: \$\_\_\_\_\_

How much financial assistance can you anticipate receiving from your parents, relatives or other sources per semester?: \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Work Information**

Please indicate any previous work history you may have, including jobs you have held throughout high school. Also, please detail how important it will be for you to work while in college and plans you have to secure employment while in college.

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**Scholarship, Grant, Loan Information**

Are you applying for FAFSA? Yes No

Are you applying for other scholarships, grants or loans? Yes No

***If answer is "yes," please list names, amounts, type (scholarship, grant or loan) and indicate status as Pending, Confirmed or Rejected. The amount of the award should be reported as its total amount through expected duration. For example, the Rodeo scholarship would be reported as \$15,000, the total possible award; it should not be reported as \$3,750(the freshman year value). You may attach an additional sheet if necessary.***

Name of Award	Type	Total	Status
<i>Example: Houston Livestock Show &amp; Rodeo FCCLA Scholarship</i>	<i>Scholarship</i>	<i>\$15,000</i>	<i>Pending</i>



**CERTIFICATION OF APPLICATION**

**FCCLA MEMBERSHIP VERIFICATION**

Are you a member of FCCLA? ( ) Yes ( ) No

Dates of Membership (Month/Year): \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of FCCLA Advisor \_\_\_\_\_

*(The signature of your FCCLA Advisor here serves as verification of membership and dates)*

**CERTIFICATION BY APPLICANT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR VERIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the statements contained in this application are true, accurate and complete and that I presently meet all eligibility requirements set forth in this Application. **(Note: Any false statement in this Application shall constitute grounds for revocation or withdrawal of any awarded scholarship.)**

If selected to receive a Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship, I understand that I am expected to attend the scholarship presentation, to enroll in a college or university within the State of Texas and to abide by the policies governing the FCCLA Scholarship Program.

I hereby authorize any person, firm, school or entity to release to the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, or their authorized representatives, information concerning the subject matter of the statements I have made in this application, including, but not limited to, information concerning my current and future academic records and status (both high school and college), activities, honors and awards, citizenship, residency, and financial situation (specifically including all financial aid). If selected as a recipient, a copy of this authorization is agreed by the undersigned to have the same effect and force as an original. Any person, firm, school or entity releasing matters pursuant to this authorization is hereby absolved from any liability.

The undersigned GRANTS PERMISSION to be PHOTOGRAPHED or INTERVIEWED in connection with this application or any potential award of a Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Scholarship. The undersigned understands that any such photograph or interview may be used by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo, or their authorized representatives in television, film, visual, graphic, electronic, printed or other media. The undersigned agrees to RELEASE, INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo with respect to any and all Claims related to the usage of such photographs or interviews by the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo or any other media.

**The Internal Revenue Service requires scholarship recipients to disclose any relationships between the recipient and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. This information is requested for reporting purposes only and does not affect in any way the award of the scholarship. Please complete the information requested below.**

Are you related by blood, marriage or adoption to any member of the Board of Directors or to any employee of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo?

( ) **NO.** I have no relationship with the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo as outlined above.

( ) **YES.** (If YES, please give the name of the person to whom you are related and the nature of the relationship in the space provided.) \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_