

# **EAST TEXAS YAMBOREE LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHOLARSHIP**

## **INSTRUCTIONS AND ELIGIBILITY FOR APPLICATION**

- ALL PAGES OF THE APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETE AND IN THE CURRENT YEARS FORM.
- A PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPH MUST BE ATTACHED IN WALLET SIZE WITH A PROFESSIONAL POSTURE PRESENT.
- APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE A HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT ALONG WITH TAKS SCORES AND ACT/SAT SCORES CERTIFIED BY A COUNSELOR.
- EACH APPLICANT MUST WRITE A PAPER DISCUSSING THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:
  - WHY ARE YOU APPLYING
  - SPECIFIC REASONS YOU NEED FINANCIAL AID
  - WHY YOU SELECTED YOUR MAJOR AND CAREER PATH
  - HOW HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN YAMBOREE LIVESTOCK ACTIVITIES
  - PLEASE KEEP IT TO A TWO PAGE MAXIMUM
- APPLICANT MUST BE A GRADUATING SENIOR OF A SCHOOL DISTRICT WITH ONE OR MORE CAMPUSES IN UPSHUR COUNTY.
- APPLICANTS MUST BE IN THE UPPER ONE-HALF OF THEIR CLASS BASED ON RANK ON PROVIDED TRANSCRIPT AND A SCORE OF 1000 SAT/15 ACT. UNWEIGHTED GPA WILL BE THE GPA USED IN SCORING.
- AT LEAST THREE YEARS OF YAMBOREE LIVESTOCK PARTICIPATION IS REQUIRED. PARTICIPATION IS DEFINED AS PAID ENTRY INTO ANY SECTION OF THE SHOW.
- AN INTERVIEW WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THOSE SELECTED, OFFICIAL FFA DRESS, 4-H JACKET, OR BUSINESS ATTIRE IS REQUESTED FOR THE INTERVIEW.
- APPLICANT MUST BE IN GOOD STANDING WITH HIS/HER 4H OR FFA CHAPTER AND HAS MET ALL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE SCHOOL THEY ATTEND.
- SELECTIONS WILL BE BASED ON: NEED, SCHOLARSHIP, LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP, YAMBOREE LIVESTOCK SHOW INVOLVEMENT
- EACH APPLICANT MUST ALSO PROVIDE A BIOGRAPHY IN 100 WORDS OR LESS EXPLAINING THEIR YAMBOREE LIVESTOCK INVOLVEMENT AND FUTURE PLANS. THESE WILL BE USED IN YAMBOREE PUBLICATIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.
- SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED AT THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS/GRADUATION EXERCISES AND WINNERS WILL BE ASKED TO ATTEND THE YAMBOREE LIVESTOCK SALE THE FOLLOWING FALL IF POSSIBLE.
- RECIPIENTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO CARRY A MINIMUM OF TWELVE HOURS (12) PER SEMESTER. SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE PAID UPON SUBMISSION OF AN OFFICIAL REGISTRATION FORM TO THE GILMER AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

## METHOD OF SELECTION

- APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO MICHAEL BLANKS **NO LATER THAN APRIL 3rd.**
- APPLICATIONS WILL BE SCORED USING THE APPROVED EVALUATION SHEET BY THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE
- THE TOP APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY THEIR TEACHER OR AGENT OF THEIR ASSIGNED INTERVIEW DATE AND TIME. CONFLICTS SHOULD BE MADE AWARE OF AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO ACCOMMODATE.
- EACH STUDENT WILL BE INTERVIEWED BY A PANEL OF THREE JUDGES CONSISTING OF:
  - THAT YEAR'S YAMBOREE PRESIDENT
  - ONE JUDGE PROVIDED BY TWO SCHOOLS IN A ROTATING ALPHABETICAL ORDER
    - THAT ORDER IS:
      - BIG SANDY-2024
      - DIANA-2025
      - GILMER-2025
      - GLADEWATER-2026
      - HARMONY-2026
      - ORE CITY- 2027
      - UNION GROVE - 2027
      - UNION HILL-2028
      - UPSHUR COUNTY 4-H-2024

## DETERMINING AWARDS PROVIDED

- THE LIVESTOCK COMMITTEE CHAIR WILL DETERMINED THE VALUE OF SCHOLARSHIP MONIES AWARDED BY THE COMMITTEE.
- AMOUNTS AND NUMBER OF AWARDS WILL BE DETERMINED ON A YEARLY BASIS DEPENDING ON QUALITY OF APPLICANTS AND MONEY AVAILABLE.
- ALL COUNTY SCHOOLS WITH AN APPLICANT THAT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE AWARDS AT LEAST ONE SCHOLARSHIP
- ALL JUNIOR BOARD BONUS POINTS WILL BE VERIFIED WITH SIGN IN SHEETS PROVIDE BY THE JUNIOR BOARD CHAIRPERSON. MEMBERS MUST HAVE BEEN PRESENT DURING THEIR WORK TIME TO RECEIVE CREDIT.