

Hills Bank Leadership Program

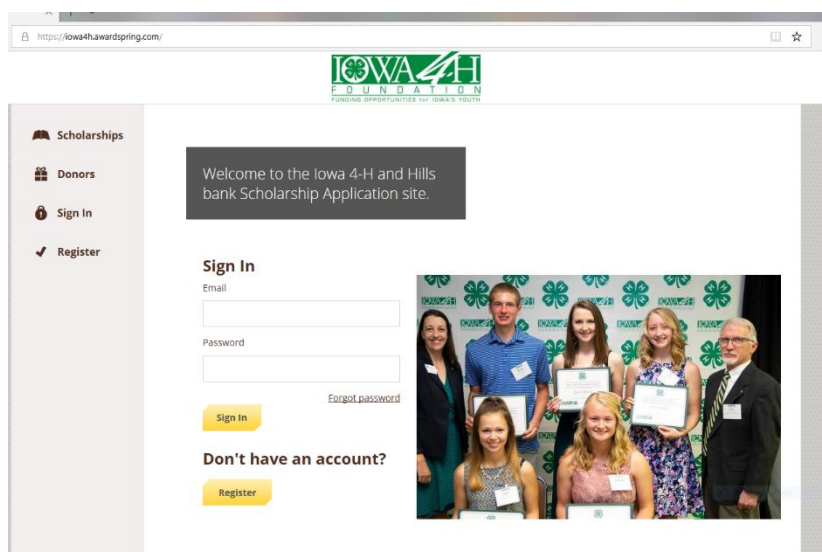
March 1, 2020 for Hills Bank Leadership Scholarships

The Hills Bank Leadership Program is for juniors in high school in the Hills Bank Service Area. This area includes the following counties: Benton, Cedar, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Keokuk, Linn, Louisa, Muscatine, and Washington. Potential Participants apply as juniors and participate in leadership training sponsored by Hills Bank. Upon completion of the leadership courses, each participant receives a \$1,000 scholarship. The scholarships are for students applying to a two- or four-year college or university in the state of Iowa. Twenty students are selected for the program.

The Hills Bank Leadership Program utilizes the same on-line application system as the Iowa 4-H Scholarships. Applicants will see directions for the Hills Bank application as well as the Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarships. Please keep in mind that they are two separate programs utilizing the same on-line system.

Please note that the Hills Bank leadership program is for current **JUNIORS** in high school. The Iowa 4-H Scholarships are for incoming college freshman or current college undergraduates.

The Link to the Award Spring application site is <https://iowa4h.awardspring.com/>



The screenshot shows the Iowa 4-H Awards Spring application website. The browser address bar displays <https://iowa4h.awardspring.com/>. The website header includes the Iowa 4-H Foundation logo with the tagline "FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR IOWA'S YOUTH". A left-hand navigation menu contains the following items: Scholarships, Donors, Sign In, and Register. The main content area features a dark grey box with the text "Welcome to the Iowa 4-H and Hills bank Scholarship Application site." Below this is a "Sign In" section with input fields for "Email" and "Password", a "Forgot password" link, and a yellow "Sign In" button. Underneath is a "Don't have an account?" section with a yellow "Register" button. To the right of the sign-in form is a photograph of a group of young people and an adult man, some of whom are holding certificates or awards.

Online application materials, essays, transcripts and the required 2 letters of recommendation, must be submitted online through the Awards Spring system no later than 11:59 PM March 1, 2020 to be considered. It is important to plan ahead in regard to completing the application as well submitting the required documents, including the letters of recommendation. Waiting until March 1st to begin and complete these tasks is **NOT RECOMMENDED**.

The following items are required with application: (all items will be submitted online)

a. Current, complete an UNOFFICIAL grade transcript (include Fall 2019 grades)
(to be uploaded with application)

- For Freshman Application, if college courses were taken in high school and are not listed on the uploaded high school transcript, upload a separate list of courses taken with known grades, or upload a copy of college transcript(s) or student grade report(s).

NOTE: Multiple transcripts can be uploaded on a single application form.

b. Two letters of recommendation: (to be submitted online by the reference). Letters may

Computer related questions can be directed to Award Spring Support Line Email support@awardspring.com |
Phone 888.258.5628, option 2