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IOWA 4-H FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2016

The Iowa 4-H Foundation announces its 2016 scholarship program for current or former 4-H members planning to attend college in the fall of 2016.

AMES, Iowa- The Iowa 4-H Foundation has announced applications are now available for its 4-H scholarship program. Approximately 82 scholarship opportunities valued at over \$75,350 will be awarded.

The various scholarship awards range in amounts from \$500 to \$3,500. Some of the scholarships are open to students pursuing any field of study, while others are open to students pursuing degrees in agriculture, food and nutrition, ag business, animal science, and journalism. Former and current 4-H members graduating from high school or currently attending college are eligible applicants.

While a majority of the 4-H scholarship opportunities are available for students attending Iowa State University, scholarships are available to students planning to attend an Iowa Regent university, Iowa private college, Iowa community college, or any land-grant university.

Iowa 4-H members are eligible to apply for 4-H scholarships if they meet individual scholarship requirements, as determined by the scholarship donors. Applicants must enroll as a full-time student to receive scholarship awards.

Information and applications for the 4-H Scholarships are now available online through the Iowa 4-H Foundation at www.iowa4hfoundation.org/scholarships. Applications must be submitted online no later than 11:59 PM, February 1, 2016 for consideration. Only one application form is needed for all Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarships. Eligible students may apply for more than one scholarship; however, only one scholarship per individual will be awarded per academic year.

"Iowa 4-H scholarships acknowledge the hard work and dedication of young people who have used their 4-H skills and experiences to 'make the best better' for others," says Albert Grunenwald, Executive Director of the Iowa 4-H Foundation. "We also are thankful for the many scholarship donors who fund these important opportunities for Iowa 4-H'ers."

Since 1949, donors to the Iowa 4-H Foundation have provided financial resources to fund quality 4-H experiences and recognition opportunities for Iowa youth.

To further explore establishing a scholarship with the Iowa 4-H Foundation, please contact Taci Lilienthal, Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarship Coordinator at taci@iastate.edu or 563-343-1144.

The Iowa 4-H Foundation provides the private financial resources to develop and deliver quality 4-H youth programs throughout the state of Iowa. These opportunities help young people enhance their ability to use critical thinking, leadership, communication, and social skills – tools that will give them a competitive edge in their future endeavors.