

# HEARTLAND HIGHLAND CATTLE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Heartland Highland Cattle Association Scholarship Program:

**Two (2) scholarships will be awarded. Each will be in the amount of \$500**

Funds for the scholarships come from the Heartland Highland Cattle Association, a non-profit association. The Association is organized for the purpose of promoting Highland cattle through education, marketing, communications and unique member services.

**Who can apply for the scholarship?**—The applicant must be a son, daughter or grandchild of a current producer member of the Heartland Highland Cattle Association. Applicants' parents or the parents' business or grandparents must be current in their HHCA membership. Applicants do not have to be studying in the agriculture field to apply for or to receive the scholarship. Both graduating high school seniors and students currently attending or planning to attend college or vo-tech school during the next school year can apply. Applicant students already attending college must be undergraduates and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester to be eligible. The scholarship can be won twice.

**What do you need to do to apply?**—Complete the application form. Spelling and grammar will be considered in the selection process. A copy of your most recent transcript, either high school or college transcript and a sealed letter of recommendation must accompany your application. **The letter should come from an adult who is not a school employee or a relative.**

**PLEASE PLACE ALL INFORMATION ON THE APPLICATION FORM AS DIRECTED—DO NOT INCLUDE COVERS, EXTRA PAGES OR PHOTOS**

A printed copy of the application is available from the HHCA office or a fillable .pdf form can be downloaded from the HCA website: [www.heartlandhighlandcattleassociation.org](http://www.heartlandhighlandcattleassociation.org)

**Where can Scholarships be used?**—The scholarships can be used at any accredited university, 2-year or 4-year college or technical school.

**What are the terms of Payments?** The scholarships will be paid to the student for purchase of books or any other supplies upon proof of registration. The amount will be paid in full for the first semester.

**What will the scholarship award be based upon?**

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| • Commitment to furthering education | Long -term goals                |
| • Leadership                         | Academic achievement            |
| • Extra-curricular activities        | Committee review of application |

**Scholarships are academic in nature; financial need will not be considered**

**How are the Scholarship Recipients Recognized:** Finalists will be notified of their acceptance two weeks prior to the annual meeting and banquet. Parents and recipients will be invited to the HHCA annual meeting where the presentation will be made. Scholarship recipients will receive a complimentary ticket to the banquet.

**A Completed, hard copy of your application**

**Must be mailed or emailed and postmarked on or before February 15, 2026**

**Mail to: Heartland Highland Cattle Association 976 State Hwy. 64 Tunas, MO 65764**

**For more information call: 417.345.0575, text or call: 417.733.3201 or email**

**[heartlandhighlandcattle@gmail.com](mailto:heartlandhighlandcattle@gmail.com)**

## APPLICATION FOR HHCA SCHOLARSHIP

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone(\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' Name \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of 2-year, 4-year or technical school you are attending or plan to attend

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### STATEMENT OF APPLICANT:

*I have included:*

1. Completed application form
2. Transcript
3. One letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope.
- 4.

Please note: All of the above items **must** submitted.

Do not include covers or extra pages

Do not include photos

**I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all information given on this application is true, correct, original and complete.**

***Applicant's Signature*** \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ Students

ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_

Area of study/major (be specific) \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Approximately how long has your family's farm or business been a member of the HHCA and what services or activities has your family participated in?**

**a. Which services and activities do they find the most useful?**

**b. What activities have you personally been involved in with the HHCA?**

**2. What ways have you promoted and educated people to the Highland cattle breed? (cattle displays, cattle shows, other promotional events)**

**3. What do you think can be done to keep young people, as yourself, involved with the production of the Highland breed and in agriculture?**

**4. Describe your work experience (paid or not paid, on or off the farm) and what you learned from these experiences: (such as chores/volunteer work etc.)**

**5. From your own experience, what leadership skills do you think are necessary for people in rural communities? Why?**

**6. School Activities, Organizations: (what years involved)**

**7. Civic, Church, Non-school Activities: (what years involved)**

**8. Honors and Awards:**

Answer in a Brief Summary (100 words or more)

**From your experience with your family raising Highland cattle what is your opinion of this breed of cattle. Tell what you have learned about the Highland breed from your experiences of raising and handling them and how you would promote them to people you meet in the future.**