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**2021 Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarship Applications Now Being Accepted**

(December 15, 2020, Madison, WI) The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$15,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin 4-H members and alumni pursuing higher education in 2021. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation via email by Monday, March 15, 2021.

Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships are awarded to students based on demonstrated personal growth through 4-H, development and leadership in 4-H, academic performance and future educational goals.

To be eligible for Wisconsin 4-H Foundation scholarships students must have been a Wisconsin 4-H member for at least three years; have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale, and be enrolled or planning to enroll at a university, college or technical school during the 2021-2022 academic school year. Scholarship winners from previous years are not eligible to receive a second 4-H Foundation scholarship.

The application is a one-page resume and a one page cover letter, both of which give the 4-H youth a chance to share their 4-H achievements, as well as their future plans. Applicants are asked to treat this process as if applying for a job.

Cover letters and resumes must be submitted as one PDF document and emailed to [scholarships@wis4hfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@wis4hfoundation.org). For detailed information about what to include in and how to prepare the application documents, 4-H youth can visit [www.Wis4HFoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.Wis4HFoundation.org/scholarships).

A panel of experienced youth educators will screen the applications and select finalists. Applications chosen as finalists will be ranked by a second panel comprised of 4-H and youth development experts. The 4-H Foundation will assign available scholarships to the top-ranking applications based on scholarship criteria.

Applicants who are awarded scholarships will be notified by postal letter and email in May.

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“Frisch Photo”: Alyssa Frisch received a \$2,000 WI 4-H Foundation scholarship in 2020 to study mechanical engineering. She was a member of the New Directions 4-H Club in Columbia County.



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“Stege Photo”: Micah Stege received a \$2,000 WI 4-H Foundation scholarship in 2020 to study landscape maintenance and arboriculture. He was a Washington County 4-H member.

