

THE LONG ISLAND FAIR

Sponsored by

The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc.
P.O. Box 151, Sea Cliff, NY 11579-0151

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc., sponsors of the Long Island Fair held annually at Old Bethpage Village Restoration, is pleased to announce the availability of up to ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships to be given out by the New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs ("NYSAAF") and the New York State Showpeople's Association.

Scholarships are open to Long Island high school seniors and students enrolled in college. Applicants must be planning to pursue or already pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher learning. Application is open to all applicants regardless of their field of study.

The Agricultural Society and The Long Island Fair are members of the NYSAAF.


Applicants will be judged on their essay, citizenship and leadership, fair/outdoor amusement business participation, field of study (related to fields listed above), presentation of application, and academic achievements.

Applicants will be notified in July, 2017, if they have been awarded a scholarship. The payment of the \$1,000 scholarship will be made upon completion of the first semester of college. Applicants will be required to submit a copy of their first semester transcript in order to receive payment.

Enclosed are an informational sheet and a copy of the Application. The enclosed Application is for *informational purposes only*. The Application to be submitted **must** be downloaded from the NYSAAF website, www.nyfairs.org, completed by the applicant, printed out, signed by the applicant and a parent or guardian, and then submitted, together with all required attachments to: The Long Island Fair, PO Box 151, Sea Cliff, NY 11579-0151, no later than the second Friday in April (April 8, 2017). Do **NOT** send the application to the Long Island Fair at Old Bethpage Village. Handwritten applications will **not** be considered

Any questions may be addressed to us by mail at the above address, by email at lifair@lifair.org, or by telephone to 516-874-0502.

Sincerely yours,


Robert A. Hansen
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosures

Celebrating 175 years of sponsoring agricultural fairs on Long Island

Long Island Fair is the registered Service Mark of The Agricultural Society of Queens, Nassau and Suffolk Counties, Inc.

**New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs
and
New York State Showpeople's Association**

**General Information Sheet
For School/College Guidance Counselors**

Purpose

To provide financial assistance to those high school and college students who have been active in their local fairs or outdoor amusement business and who intend to pursue or who are pursuing a degree.

Awards

Up to ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships may be awarded in 2017.

Eligibility

Applicant must be in his/her senior year of high school in New York State or be a New York State resident already attending college and planning to pursue or already pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher learning. Additional information and applications are available at www.nyfairs.org.

Application

Applications **must** be downloaded from the NYSAAF website, www.nyfairs.org (available in PDF format), completed by the student, printed out, signed by the applicant and a parent or guardian, and then submitted to one of the member fairs or to the NYSSA for endorsement. Handwritten applications will **not** be considered. Students should be sure to contact their local fair in advance to confirm membership in the NYSAAF and office hours. A complete list of NYSAAF members can be found on the website.

Deadline

Student must submit his/her application to a member fair no later than the 2nd Friday in April.

Selection Process

A selection committee will determine this year's scholarship recipients. Students will be notified by their respective fairs or NYSSA if they are awarded a scholarship. Non-winners will also be notified shortly after Labor Day.

Payment of Scholarship

The payment of the \$1,000 scholarship will be made upon successful completion of the recipient's Fall semester of college (first semester immediately following notice of award of scholarship). Recipients will be required to submit a copy of the appropriate semester transcript to the Chairperson of the Scholarship Committee in order to receive the payment. The checks will be mailed directly to the recipients upon receipt of the college transcript. Specific instructions will be provided to the scholarship winners at a later date.

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2017Scholarship Application

The **NYSAAF** and **NYSSA** offer an annual scholarship program which is available to students who are New York State residents, who currently are (or have previously been) active in a fair that is a member of the **NYSAAF** or the **NYSSA** and who plan to attend (or already attend) college in pursuit of a degree. The fair where you have been active or the **NYSSA** must endorse your application and will submit it for you. Our website www.nyfairs.org offers a complete list of our member fairs.

New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs Applicants: Applications submitted through the **NYSAAF** should be submitted to your local fair. Applicants may submit only one application.

New York State Showpeople's Association Applicants: Applications submitted through the **NYSSA** should be submitted to: Sarah McAndrew, Secretary NYSSA, 1107 Downer Ave, Utica, NY 13502 Applicants may submit only one application.

Purpose

To provide financial assistance to those high school and college students who have been active in their local fairs and who intend to pursue or who are pursuing a degree. Application is open to all applicants regardless of your field of study. However, additional consideration may be given to those applicants pursuing a degree in a field related to agriculture, fair management or the outdoor amusement business. All are encouraged to apply.

Awards

Up to ten \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded for 2017.

Eligibility

Applicant must be in his/her senior year of high school in New York State or be a New York State resident already attending college and planning to pursue or already pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher learning.

Deadline

Student must submit his/her complete application to the member fair or the **NYSSA** by the second Friday in April.

Scoring

Applications will be judged on the following criteria:

Essay	15%
Citizenship & leadership	25%
Fair/Outdoor Amusement Business participation	30%
Field of study (related to fields listed above)	5%
Presentation of application	15%
Academic achievements	10%
Total	100%

Instructions

Make sure that you complete the entire application according to directions. Return the completed application to your local fair or the NYSSA by the date indicated. The Selection Committee is looking for well-rounded applicants and will base its decisions on a variety of criteria, including academics, community service and fair participation, as well as the overall appearance of your application. The application has been formatted so that it must be completed online. All applications must be on this form. However, do not email it to us. You must submit a hard copy of your application to an official of your sponsoring fair or to the NYSSA for endorsement. You may add additional pages as necessary. Handwritten applications will **not** be accepted. Applications must be printed on plain stock white paper (such as 20 lb. paper).

Checklist

- ___ Scholarship application
 - a. Completed online and then printed
 - b. Fair/NYSSA endorsement on the application
- ___ Two letters of recommendation(*will not be accepted without a date and a signature*)
- ___ Transcript
 - For **high school seniors**: from Grade 9 through 1st semester of Grade 12
 - For **college students**: from Grade 9 through Grade 12 **AND** college transcript through 1st semester of the current academic/school year

Indicate which scholarship you are applying for by double-clicking on the appropriate box:

COLLEGE ENTRANT

CURRENTCOLLEGE STUDENT

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

MAILING ADDRESS: STREET _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP CODE** _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ **AGE** _____ **SEX: M** **F**

CELL PHONE NUMBER _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE _____ **RANK IN CLASS** _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAMES(S)	OCCUPATION	EMPLOYER
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

NAMES OF BROTHERS/ SISTERS	AT HOME	LIVING FAMILY INCOME	DEPENDENT ON COLLEGE	ATTENDING
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NAME OF COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY WHICH YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR ARE ALREADY ATTENDING

IF ATTENDING COLLEGE, YEAR YOU EXPECT TO GRADUATE _____

IF NOT CURRENTLY ATTENDING COLLEGE, HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED?

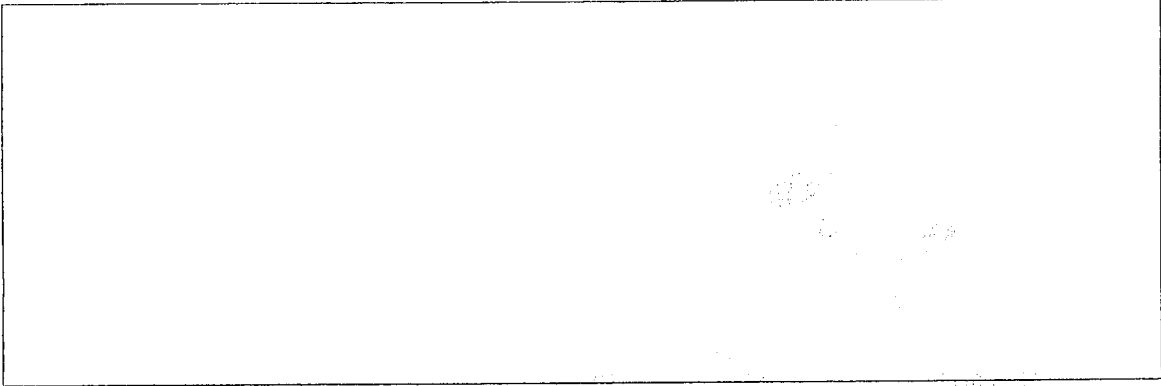
Y N **IF YES, WHERE?** _____

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY OR OCCUPATIONAL INTEREST

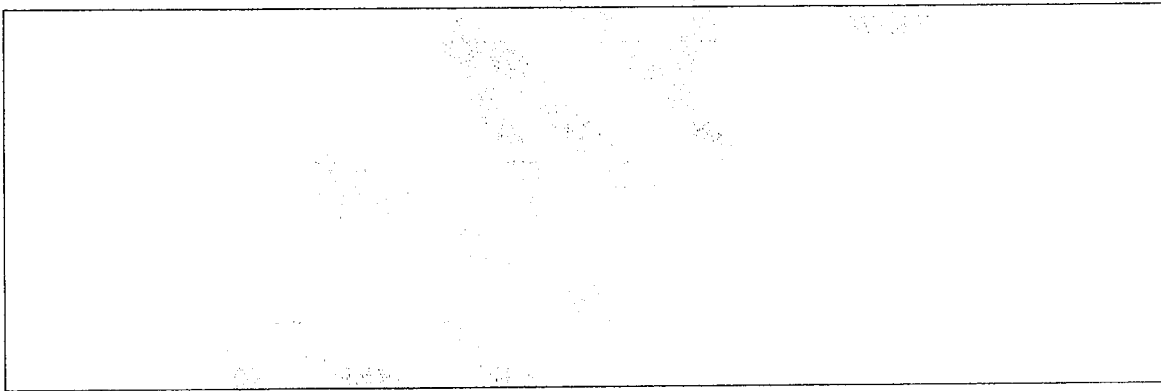
EXPLAIN YOUR CAREER GOALS. IF YOUR GOALS RELATES TO AGRICULTURE, FAIR MANAGEMENT OR THE OUTDOOR AMUSEMENT BUSINESS PLEASE EXPLAIN.

(For the following, please attach additional sheets, properly labeled, if necessary)

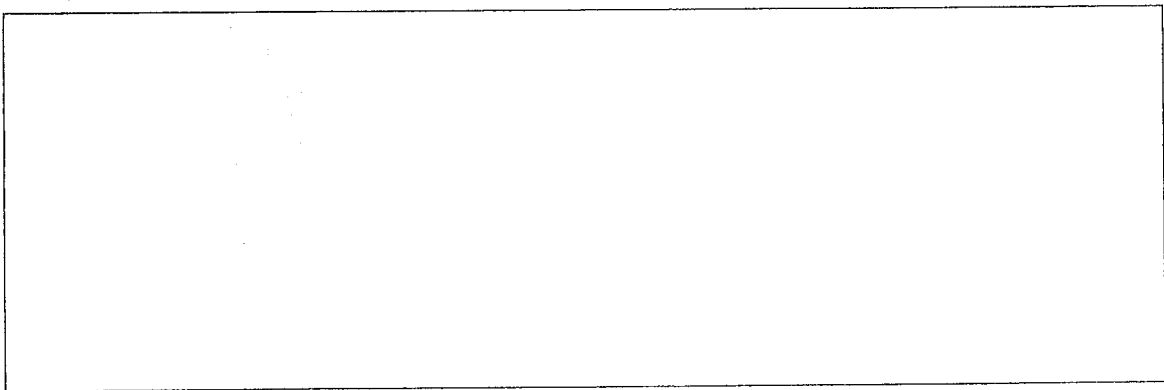
A. RECORD OF PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (List offices held, if any)

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the applicant to list their participation in school activities and any offices held.

B. COMMUNITY SERVICE (Church, clubs, organizations, etc.)

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the applicant to describe their community service experiences, including at churches, clubs, and organizations.

C. AWARDS RECEIVED (School, community, clubs, organizations, etc.)

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for the applicant to list any awards they have received from school, community, clubs, or organizations.

D. RECORD OF PARTICIPATION IN AGRICULTURAL FAIR(S) OR OUTDOOR AMUSEMENT BUSINESS (Type of involvement, awards, years, etc.)

E. WORK EXPERIENCE (List dates, employer, duties)

F. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO SUPPORT APPLICATION

REFERENCES Please attach two (2) recent letters of reference pertaining specifically to this application. These letters must be dated and signed; they will not be accepted without a date and a signature.

For the following, please attach a separate sheet and explain in as much detail as possible.

ESSAY (Tell us in 500 words or less: “What experiences have you had exhibiting at or working at a fair or outdoor amusement venue that you feel will help you with your future goals?”)

TRANSCRIPT

High school seniors: Please attach a transcript from Grade 9 through 1st semester of Grade 12.

College students: Please attach a transcript from Grade 9 through Grade 12 **AND** a college transcript through 1st semester of the current academic/school year.

FILING DEADLINE Your application must be received by the sponsoring member fair or the NYSSA no later than the **second Friday in April!**

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date signed

Date signed

Submit your completed application to your sponsoring fair or to the NYSSA before the filing deadline. A fair or NYSSA member will complete the application endorsement section on the following page and forward the application to the appropriate NYSAAF personnel for consideration.