

## **Policy Guidelines on Use of 4-H Scholarship Dollars** **Forsyth County 4-H Program (edited 7/3/2019)**

A 4-H scholarship account will be maintained to recognize participation and achievement of Forsyth County 4-H members. Scholarships may be awarded for activities as deemed necessary by the 4-H staff to encourage participation in programs that meet the overall objectives of 4-H youth development. These may include but are not limited to the following: Yearly 4-H Projects, Portfolios, 4-H Presentations, 4-H Horse Program, other programs that warrant the use of scholarships to reward participation.

Listed below are policies to be used by 4-H members to redeem scholarship dollars.

1. When a 4-H member leaves the program, the unused balance in their scholarship account will be reverted to the 4-H general account.
2. If a 4-H member leaves the county (becomes a resident of a different county) but remains an active member in the Forsyth County 4-H Program then scholarship dollars may continue to be used for Forsyth County 4-H events or as a representative for the Forsyth County 4-H program. This does not apply to the cost of participating in another county 4-H program.
3. When a 4-H member reaches their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday (as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year) and is no longer eligible for 4-H competition, they forfeit any balance of their individual scholarship account.
4. Scholarship money may be used to cover registration costs for county, district, state or national 4-H events (workshops, retreats, camps, etc.) and are non-refundable once the registration deadline has passed.
5. Scholarship money may be used for 4-H project supplies (i.e., a camera for a 4-H photography project, fabric for a 4-H sewing project, purchase of an animal for a 4-H livestock project, etc.). Receipts for the purchase of these items must be submitted to the 4-H office before a check is written to the 4-H member (or their parent). The item must have been purchased during the past three months and **NO OTHER items should be listed on the receipt.**
6. The 4-H office reserves the right to seek clarification as to how the item relates to your 4-H project and to decline payment.
7. Generally, scholarship money is non-transferable between 4-H members. In the case of two or more siblings in one family, one may transfer to the other with the specific written, consent of the one relinquishing funds.
8. As with any policy, there will be special hardship cases involving 4-H'ers and the use of their scholarship dollars. In these cases, the 4-H staff will review each case individually and come to some mutual agreement.
9. In order to receive scholarship dollars, all 4-H'ers must annually sell \$25 worth of plants at the 4-H plant sale in March/April. (There is a blank on the order form where your name can be listed as the person selling the plants.)
10. **Reimbursement is subject to fund availability!**
11. After six months, 4-H staff will NOT correct/add funds to any incorrect scholarship dollar listings.

12. Youth ages 13-18 that submit a project record book for judging by the 2nd Tuesday in January and do a presentation on the county level, as well as register for NC 4-H Congress by the deadline, will receive \$100 towards their registration costs.
13. Youth ages 13-18 that submit a portfolio by the 3rd Tuesday in January, as well as register for NC 4-H Congress by the deadline, will receive \$50 towards their registration costs (this may be combined with #12).

Questions concerning your 4-H scholarship account should be directed to 4-H Staff:

April Bowman  
336-703-2855  
[awbowman@ncsu.edu](mailto:awbowman@ncsu.edu)

Monique Pearce-Brady  
336-703-2856  
[dmpearc3@ncsu.edu](mailto:dmpearc3@ncsu.edu)

### 4-H Scholarship Dollars Guide

This is your guide to how many 4-H Scholarship dollars are available in the many areas you can participate in Forsyth County 4-H.

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Placing/ Participation</u>	<u>Scholarship Dollars Awarded</u>
County Events (Judged on the <a href="#">Danish System</a> ) (ie project books, talent show)	County Champion	\$15.00
	Blue Ribbon	\$8.00
	Red Ribbon	\$5.00
Any District or State Competition	Participation	\$15.00
Any Regional or National Competition	Participation	\$25.00
Portfolios (ages 13-18)	Participation	\$25.00 per record (limit 2)
Plant Sale/Most \$ Sales Club	1 <sup>st</sup> Place in \$ Sold	\$50.00
Plant Sale/Most \$ Sales 4-H'er	1 <sup>st</sup> Place in \$ Sold	\$50.00
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place in \$ Sold	\$30.00
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place in \$ Sold	\$15.00
Jr. Workshop Leader	Participation	Varies with duties and job performance