

Robert Samples Scholarship 2026

Robert Samples Scholarship: The Kentucky Hereford Association supports our youth and continuing education. This \$500 college scholarship will be awarded to a young person who is a Kentucky Junior Hereford Association member and active in the Hereford breed. The recipient can only be awarded this scholarship one time. This scholarship is in memory of Robert Samples, a past KHA director and great supporter of the Hereford breed and junior members.

Qualifications:

- Applicants must be a member of the Kentucky Junior Hereford Association.
- Applicants must be or at one time a member of the National Junior Hereford Association.
- Applicants must be a graduating high school senior or enrolled in a junior college, four year college or university or other accredited institution of higher education for the upcoming fall term.
- The applicants cannot have reached his/her 25th birthday prior to January 1 of the year of application.
- The scholarship is applicable to any field of study.
- Applicants must show proof of enrollment in an institution before the scholarship check will be issued.

Instructions:

- Applicants must type applications on the form provided. No handwritten copies will be accepted.
- Font should be no smaller than 10.
- Copy of current transcript must accompany application.
- Application must include 2 letters of recommendation. Family members are not permitted to write letters.
- Completed and signed application, transcript, and 2 letters of recommendations must be mailed or emailed to: Melinda Watson 6196 Mt. Sterling Rd. Flemingsburg, KY 41041 or melindawatson8660@gmail.com. Call 859-625-8660 for questions.
- May 20th is the deadline for applications.
- Scholarship recipients will be recognized at the Summer State Show at the dinner/auction.
- **Make a copy of this document before typing. Rename it Robert Samples Scholarship and your Name.**

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Date of Application	
Name of Applicant (First, Last)	
Parents (Guardians) Names	
Home Address	
Email Address	
Cell Phone Number	
Birthdate (Month, Day, Year)	
Current Age	
Name of High School	
Current Grade in School	
Graduation Date	
Current GPA	
Class Rank	
ACT Score	
SAT Score	
College Attending in Fall	
College Area of Study	
NJHA member for how long?	
KJHA member for how long?	

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Essay Questions Type response under each question. (Minimum 50 words, but not to exceed 150 words)

1. Describe why you are pursuing a college education.
2. What is your college major or major/minor?
3. Why did you choose the college you are or are planning to attend?
4. Describe your personal experiences in the livestock industry.
5. Briefly describe your ambitions and goals after college.
6. How have you been involved in the NJHA and KJHA?
7. How have your personal accomplishments in the Hereford breed helped other junior members?
8. Describe the leadership activities and experiences that you have been involved with since becoming a member of the KJHA.
9. Reflect on one of your Hereford projects over the years that has made a positive impact on you.
10. How do you plan to give back to the Hereford breed in the future?