



Student Scholarship

The Center for Dairy Excellence Foundation of Pennsylvania will offer two \$3,000 scholarships to incoming undergraduate students for the 2017 - 2018 academic year. To be eligible students have had to complete and pass at least one of the Dairy Tomorrow certification exams and associated course work by June 1, 2017. Applicants must be a graduating senior enrolled in a college or university in the fall. The purpose of these scholarships is to provide recognition, encouragement, and financial assistance to outstanding students enrolled in academic programs that may support the dairy industry.

Selection of the scholarship winners will be based on the completed application within the following criteria: academic performance; evidence of leadership, character, and integrity; application compliance and commitment to working in or promoting the dairy industry after graduation. There is no GPA requirement. However, a student's GPA is taken into consideration within the academic performance category.

Each scholarship shall be awarded for one academic year. The scholarship will be paid to the student upon certification of enrollment by the appropriate academic institution officer. All applications must be submitted by July 1, 2017 to be considered eligible.

Applications will be reviewed by a sub-committee consisting of board members from the industry, Center for Dairy Excellence and Center for Dairy Excellence Foundation of Pennsylvania. They will make the final decision on the candidates to receive the scholarships.

Application must be made using the Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow Student Scholarship Application form. *All applications must be typed, and word count requirements must be followed.* An electronic copy of the scholarship application is available at: <http://dairyleadersoftomorrow.com/scholarships/>.

Tips for Completing the Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow Student Scholarship Application:

1. **Plan Accordingly.** If the deadline for the scholarship application is July 1, don't wait until the last minute to complete the application. Having time to complete the application, then come back to it a couple of days later and review your answers will improve the quality of your answers.
2. **Read the Instructions Carefully.** In this case, the scholarship application requires a transcript to be provided. That step is often overlooked. Make sure when you are completing any application that you read the instructions carefully and have every step completed.
3. **Use the Space and Word Count Allotted.** Make sure you follow the required word count to answer the questions, but use the full amount of space and words allotted to write in complete sentences and fully justify your answers.
4. **Double and Triple Check Your Spelling and Grammar.** Applications with poor grammar or misspelled words are often penalized, no matter how strong the applicant is. Take the time to read your work closely and make sure all grammar rules are followed with words spelled correctly. Do not rely only on the computer's spell check to catch mistakes. For example, Spell Check will often correct dairy, if misspelled, to diary.
5. **Save and Print Your Work.** Since this application is built as an editable PDF, sometimes answers can be lost during the saving and transmission process. The person coordinating the scholarship program will follow up with you if there is a problem. Just in case, it is good to have a second copy.
6. **Make Sure You Are Able to Be Reached.** Make sure the phone number and email address that you provide is actually where you can be reached in case the coordinator needs to reach you with questions or problems.



Application Deadline: July 1, 2017

Two-\$3,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors certified in Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow. Applications **must be typed neatly** to be considered and all word count limitations **must** be followed. A student is only eligible to receive the Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship **once** and is NOT eligible to receive the Student Leader Scholarship provided by the Center for Dairy Excellence and the Dairymen's Association in the same school year. Preference may be given to students who are certified in both Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow Certification Programs.

1. Personal Information

Name	Birth date (mm/dd/year)
Permanent (home) Address	City State Zip
Parents Name	Home Phone #
Campus Address	City State Zip
Campus/Cell Phone #	Applicant's Email Address
Male: _____ Female: _____ Current GPA or Academic Standing: _____ (Please also attach transcript.)	

2. Educational Information

College or University		
Academic Major	Department	Semester Classification for 2016-17 (Fr, So, Jr, Sr)
Academic Advisor or Contact Person	Title/Relationship	
Advisor Phone Number: _____ Advisor Email: _____		

I certify that the information contained in this Student Leadership Scholarship application submitted by me is correct and was prepared by me. I further give permission to the Center for Dairy Excellence to use my name, photo, and information contained within the application to promote this scholarship program in news releases, newsletters, web sites, and other media outlets.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please send or e-mail your application by **July 1, 2017**, to:
 Mary Foote, Dairy Education Program Coordinator
 Center for Dairy Excellence, 2301 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17110
 Phone: 717-346-0849 ◆ Fax 717-705-2342 ◆ Email: mfoote@centerfordairyexcellence.org

3. Please answer the following questions limited to the space and characters provided.

a) **Briefly describe yourself in terms of history, family, and any dairy experience you have.** *(Limit your answer to 250 words or less.*

b) **Identify what you consider to be the TWO leadership roles you have held that you take the most pride in and explain why.** *(Limit your answer to 150 words or less.)*

c) **If someone were to ask one of your fellow classmates to describe you in three words, what words do you believe they would use and why?** *(Limit your answer to 150 words or less.)*

d) Looking ahead, explain how you see yourself involved in the dairy industry? Share one personal goal regarding your vocation. (Limit your answer to 250 words or less.)

e) Not including family members, identify a specific individual that you most admire and describe why you look up to them. (Limit your answer to 200 words or less.)

f) Identify a current public issue you believe is influencing the dairy industry at large and identify the key action items that should be accomplished to address it. (Limit your answer to 250 words or less.)