**IAHCE EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

1. The applicant must be a member in good standing or an immediate family member, child or grandchild, niece or nephew of such member of a county HCE/HEA for a minimum of three years. Recipient of an IAHCE and Perry County Scholarship must be a current resident of Illinois regardless of whether they attend a school in Illinois. Perry County scholarships are available to 4-H members who have been a member in good standing of 4-H for 5 consecutive years and was a member their senior year.

2. The applicant must attend a vocational institution or institution of higher learning working toward a vocational certification, undergraduate degree or graduate degree.

3. The Applicant must submit a new application each year. Eligibility is limited to four years.

4. For each of the full ($500) scholarships, the student be considered a full-time student by the college the student is/will be attending. Auditing of classes cannot be included in minimum hours.

5. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to make judgment in cases not covered by the guidelines.

6. Students must maintain a 2.0 (C) average. Transcript required for most current school year.

7. Payment of all scholarships is made in two installments. The first half of payment will be made by July 1. The second half will be made no earlier than January 1 – upon receipt of the student’s fall grades transcript by the scholarship committee chairman. Her/his name and address will be on the letter of acceptance that carries the July check.

8. Scholarship applications must be postmarked by April 1. Perry County will forward the applications to the IAHCE by their May 1 deadline.

9. All applications will receive a letter by July 1 indicating whether or not they are recipients of the scholarship.

10. A photo must be attached to the cover page of the application. These photos will be used by IAHCE for publicity purpose (Newsletter/Annual Conference). If an applicant is not accepted for a scholarship, the photo will be returned.

11. If for any reason, the applicant is unable to enroll, the awarded scholarship is to be returned in full to the IAHCE Treasurer.

12. No current IAHCE Board Member will be eligible for a scholarship.

13. The IAHCE Board Secretary will receive the application – keeping the cover page until the scholarship winners have been chosen, so that the committee will not know the identity of the applicants until after selections are made.