

Montgomery County Agricultural Society Scholarship Application

The Montgomery County Agricultural Society offers an annual scholarship program which is available to high school students who are residents of Montgomery or Fulton County and who plan to attend college in pursuit of a degree.

Purpose:

To provide financial assistance to those high school students who have been active exhibitors in the Montgomery County Agricultural Society (aka Fonda Fair) and who intend to pursue a degree.

Awards:

Two (2) \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded for 2026.

Eligibility:

Applicants must be in his/her senior year of high school in Montgomery or Fulton County, New York and planning to pursue a degree at an accredited institution of higher learning.

Deadline:

Students must submit his/her complete application by April 1, 2026, by mailing it to:

Montgomery County Agricultural Society, Inc.
P.O. Box 385
Fonda, New York 12068

Scoring:

Applications will be judged on the following criteria:

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| Essay | 15% |
| Citizenship/Volunteerism/Leadership | 30% |
| Fair Participation | 30% |
| Presentation of application | 15% |
| Academic achievements | 10% |

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The Montgomery County Agricultural Society, Inc. (The Fonda Fair) offers two annual scholarships.

Instructions

Make sure that you complete the entire application according to directions. Return the completed application to Montgomery County Agricultural Society, Inc. 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. You may add additional pages as necessary. Applications must be printed on plain stock white paper.

Checklist:

____ Scholarship application

____ Essay (500 words or less)

____ Two letters of recommendation and will not be accepted without a date and a Signature.

- 1 letter from high school recommendation
 - (Teacher, guidance/advisor, coach, principal, etc.)
- 1 letter from Fair personnel
 - (Superintendent, 4-H personnel, etc. May not be a family member or board member)

____ Transcript – High School Seniors – Grade 9 through 1st semester of Grade 12

____ Phone Number

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Name of Applicant _____

Mailing Address: Street _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number: _____ Age: _____ Sex: M F

e-mail Address _____

Name of High School _____

Grade Point Average: _____ Rank in Class _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Name of Brothers/Sisters:

Name of College or University or Trade School which you plan to attend:

Have you been accepted? Yes No

Major Field of study or occupational interest

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Explain your career goals. If your goals relate to agriculture, please explain.

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

Record of Participation in School Activities (List offices held if any)

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Community Service (Churches, clubs, organizations, etc.)

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Awards Received (School, community, clubs, organizations, etc.)

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Record of Participation at the Fonda Fair (Type of involvement, awards, department, years, etc.)

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Work Experience (List dates, employer, and duties)

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Additional Information to Support Application

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Reference: Please attach two (2) recent letters of reference pertaining specifically to this application. These letters must be signed and dated and may not be from a family member or board member.

Essay: Tell us in 500 words or less “What experiences have you had exhibiting at the Montgomery County Agricultural Society (aka Fonda Fair) that you feel will help you with your future goals?” Please attach a separate sheet and explain in as much detail as possible.

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Filing Deadline: Your application must be received not later than April 1, 2026

Signature of Applicant

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date signed

Date signed