# PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED ONLINE AND INCLUDE ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

## <u>L.I.F.E. Scholarship Application</u> 2025 Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

#### Scholarship Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the L.I.F.E. Scholarship, the applicant must i:

- 1. Be a current 4-H/F.F.A./Art/Ag Mechanics/Home Economics/ -student/member in good standing;
- 2. Participated a minimum of 2 years as a L.I.F.E. Exhibitor
- 3. Attend public school, private school, or be home-schooled in Webb County; and
- 4. Be a graduating High School Junior or Senior.

#### **Scholarship Guidelines**

Scholarship applications will be accepted, evaluated, and awarded based on the following guidelines:

- 1. Completed scholarship **applications are due March 31, 2025** on our laredofair.com website by 12:00 noon.
- 2. THE SELECTION COMMITTEE IS NOT PART OF THE L.I.F.E. OFFICE, L.I.F.E. BOARD or L.I.F.E. MEMBERSHIP.

The Scholarship selection Committee will review and evaluate applications based on the-eligibility requirements and submission of a complete application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted or reviewed. A complete application includes: 1) Signed Cover Letter 2) Application Certification Form with all required information and signatures; and 3) Application Form. Must be uploaded in this order.

Scholarship applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

a.	Cover Letter	5	pts
b.	Academics	15	pts
c.	Student Project Experiences -L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Class	10	pts
d.	Volunteerism- L.I.F.E.	15	pt
e.	Student Leadership- L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Club/	15	pts
f.	Student Community Service -L.I.F.E. 4-H/F.F.A./Club/	10	pts
g.	Student Honors/Awards-L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A/Club	10	pts
h.	Student Activities-Other Non-4-H/F.F.A. Activities/Club/	5	pts
	i. Essay	15	pts
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- 3. Evaluation of items above will be based on the Application Guidelines distributed with the application.
- 4. Selected Scholarship recipients will be **recognized** at the L.I.F.E Scholarship Reception on May 5, 2025.
- 5. Scholarship Award winners will be presented with their award at Scholarship night on May 5, 2025.

### 2025 L.I.F.E. Scholarship Application Form

- 1. Complete all parts of the application before submitting for consideration.
- 2. Each section of the application will be evaluated using the descriptions below:
- <u>a.</u> <u>Cover Letter</u> (5 pts) Letter should be submitted on a separate sheet (no business letterhead) and should reflect your personal experiences, your interest in pursuing higher education, and your career interests. You should also describe how you have prepared yourself to understand the degree and career choices you have selected. You may share anything that is not asked as part of the application. The letter should be no more than one page (front side only). <u>UPLOAD SUPPORTING DOCUMENT</u>
- <u>Academics</u> (15 pts) Provide a signed verification of the most recent GPA based on 100 point scale. This should be signed by a school official that has authorization to determine and report student's GPA.
  Include a copy of a current transcript. UPLOAD SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS
- c. Student Project Experiences- L.I.F.E./4-H /F.F.A/Club/ (10 pts) This section should reflect the years involved, knowledge and skills gained, the scope of your project, why these projects were important, and what impact they have had on you. The emphasis should be on the quality of your experiences.
- <u>d.</u> <u>Volunteerism- L.I.F.E.</u>(15 pts) This section should reflect participation and involvement as a volunteer. This includes exhibiting projects and volunteering at L.I.F.E. events. Describe the extent of participation, level of volunteerism, etc. Volunteer work should be described in detail.
- e. Student Leadership- L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A. /Club/(15 pts) This section should reflect major leadership roles to include elected/appointed leadership as well as volunteer leadership. Emphasis should be placed on why these activities are important and what impact your involvement had on these activities and other people.
- <u>f.</u> <u>Student Community Service- /4-H/F.F.A./Club/(10 pts)</u> This section should reflect community service activities, your level of involvement, and the impact that your involvement had on the activities and other people. Emphasis should be on quality rather than quantity.
- g. <u>Student Honors/Awards</u> -<u>L.I.F.E./4-H/F.F.A./Club/(10 pts)</u> Emphasis should be on the most important honors and awards that have been received and why those awards are the most important. This section should also reflect how these awards have helped your personal development.
- <u>h.</u> <u>Student Activities Other—outside of L.I.F.E/4-H/F.F.A./Club/(5 pts)</u> This section should reflect your involvement in other activities outside of L.I.F.E/4-H/F.F.A. and why those activities are important to you. This might include other school, community, or church groups
- <u>i.</u> <u>Essay:</u> (15 pts)-This section should reflect How your participation at the Laredo International Fair & Exposition has influenced your decision in pursuing a College education. Please submit an essay of a minimum of 300 word and no more than 500 word essay explaining your response.

**Applicant Name** Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

**Email address** 

Date

L.I.F.E. Scholarship Committee

<< mailing address >>

<< city, state zip >>

Dear Committee:

SAMPLE COVER LETTER Use this part of the letter to address the committee with information referenced in the guidelines.

SAMPLE COVER LETTER

Sincerely,

<Applicant signature here>

**Applicant Name** 

## <u>UPLOAD COMPLETED DOCUMENT</u>

## 2025 L.I.F.E Scholarship Application Certification

Submission Deadline – March 31, 2025 by noon

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LAST Name			FIRST Name			MI	
Address		Ho	me Phone	Cell Phone	;		
City	Zip	F-n	nail address				
Current 4-H/F.F.A. member of		12-11	nan address				
Which did you attend Public/							
County?							
Are you a graduating High So	chool Junior or Senior?						
Will you be attending Laredo	College?						
Will you be attending TAM	_						
Number of years in 4-H?				I			
Number of years in F.F.A?							
Number of years in Art/Hom Mechanics Class?							
GPA (weighted, 100 point sc 4.0/5.0 scales must be converted to 100-p							
Currently in AP classes?							
Currently in Dual enrollment							
Currently in Dual enrollment							
Counselor/Principal/School							
I certify that the information contained herein is correct and truthfully reflects my personal information, club, chapter, and academic background and school records. I agree that, if any information contained herein is found to have been falsified in any way, my application will automatically become null and void. I further agree to forfeit any award that I may be eligible for or have already received. I have read and will abide by the scholarship rules and guidelines.							
Applicant Signature			Date				
Parent/Guardian Signature			Date				
I certify that this applicant has been enrolled in the 4-H/F.F.A./Art/AG Mechanics, Home Economics program during the required time frame as indicated by the eligibility requirements, and I recommend the applicant and his/her application to be considered for a L.I.F.E. Scholarship.							
Club Manager/F.F.A. In	structor Name/Signature		Date:				

Teacher/Sponsor Name/Signature	
	Date: