2024 CERTIFIED ANGUS BEEF® (CAB)/ NATIONAL JUNIOR ANGUS ASSOCIATION (NJAA) SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION

January 1, 2024

A \$1,500 CAB/NJAA Scholarship will be awarded to a qualified applicant annually. This scholarship has been awarded annually since 1990. No equivalent work is required from the scholarship recipient. The winner will be announced in conjunction with the 2024 National Junior Angus Show in Madison, Wisconsin.

Once a qualified applicant's application has been determined complete and eligible for review, it will be considered by the CAB/NJAA Scholarship Selection Committee comprised of three CAB representatives and two NJAA representatives.

All applications must be submitted by email to <u>scholarships@angus.org</u>.

Applicant Qualifications

- 1. Applicants must have at one time been an NJAA member and must currently be an active Junior, Regular, or Life member of the American Angus Association.
- 2. Applicants must be an enrolling sophomore, junior or senior in a junior college, four-year college/university or other accredited institution of higher education for the fall term in which the scholarship is to be awarded. Scholarship funds are to be applied towards the applicant's undergraduate studies (i.e., Bachelor of Science Degree). Applicants must have a minimum 2.0 GPA (accumulative) to be eligible.
- 3. The applicant cannot have reached their 25th birthday prior to January 1 of the year of application.
- 4. The primary course work/declared major of applicants must be in animal science, meat science, food science, agricultural communications or a related field of academic study.
- 5. If selected to receive a scholarship by the CAB/NJAA Scholarship Selection Committee, the scholarship recipient will be required to verify their enrollment in an institution of higher education by September 15 before the scholarship award check can be issued. Failure to meet enrollment requirements may result in forfeiture of the scholarship.
- 6. Should the recipient fail to complete at least one semester of full-time enrollment in an accredited or approved institution of higher education prior to June 30, 2025, for any reason, scholarship funds must be refunded to the Angus Foundation.
- 7. CAB/NJAA scholarship award winners will be eligible to reapply during subsequent award years.

Instructions for Completing Application

The application may be reproduced on your computer, but the same allotted space must be given to each of the items and questions in the application. Font must be Times New Roman size 11 - 12 point. **APPLICATION MUST NOT EXCEED SIX (6) PAGES IN LENGTH.**

Your application MUST include a copy of your most current college/university transcript. <u>The</u> transcript MUST be included with the scholarship application when mailed to the Angus Foundation. An unofficial fall semester transcript is acceptable as well. Transcripts sent separate from the scholarship application will not be accepted.

Your application MUST include three letters of recommendation. The individuals writing the recommendation letters should include their association with the applicant and a candid evaluation of the applicant's abilities, background, character, strengths, weaknesses, etc. The recommendations may come from employers, teachers, ag leaders, junior advisors, pastors, etc. (Personal references may NOT include applicants, parents, American Angus Association board of directors and/or employees, Certified Angus Beef board of directors or employees) <u>The three letters of recommendation MUST be included with the application when it is emailed to the Angus Foundation at scholarship@angus.org</u>. Letters of recommendation sent separate from the scholarship application will not be accepted.

May 1, 2024, is the absolute deadline for submitting applications. NOTE: With regard to this deadline, materials emailed must be received on or before May 1. Applicant should consider an email reply with confirmation as completion of submission. The Angus Foundation is not responsible for applications with no confirmation reply sent.

IMPORTANT FINAL REMINDER: For a scholarship application to be considered *complete and eligible* for review by the CAB/NJAA Scholarship Selection Committee, the application MUST:

- 1) _____Use 2024 application.
- 2) _____Include member code of the applicant.
- 3) _____Be submitted by May 1 of the application year.
- 4) _____Include three letters of recommendation (see restrictions above).
- 5) _____Include copy of most current transcript.
- 6) _____Email completed application and ALL attachments to <u>scholarships@angus.org</u>.
- 7) Receive emailed confirmation your application was received by Angus Foundation Staff.

Additional Scholarship Opportunities: Applicants are encouraged to apply for the Jim Baldridge Outstanding Leadership Award and the Angus Foundation Undergraduate Student Scholarship (see separate applications).

Feel free to contact the Angus Foundation at 816/383-5100 or <u>scholarships@angus.org</u> if you have any questions.

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Biographical and Background Information

Name	Birthdate	Male	Female
Home Address			
Home Phone	Mobile Ph	one	
Email	AA	A Member Code	
Number of years in AAA/NJAA	State Junior AA	4-H	FFA
Have you received Angus Foundation	on scholarships previou	sly? Yes No	
Optional Section			
Have you applied for FAFSA? Yes	No		
What percent of your education will	ll be funded by?		
Scholarships% Working/Personal Income			%
Student Loans% V			
Please explain any financial hardshi Section 1 – Academic Achieven			<u>- 10 pts.</u>
High School		Graduation	n date
Class rank Class size Hig	gh School GPA (accumulati	ve/4.0 scale) AC	T/SAT score
Community College/Tech School			
Community College/Tech School GPA	A (accumulative/4.0 scale)	Graduation	date
College/University			
College GPA (accumulative/4.0 scale)	Grad	uation date	
Academic Major(s) (or intended major)			
Briefly describe your academic major/	specialization:		

Section 2 – Angus Leadership Activities and Involvement – 15 pts.

List Angus associations and organizations of which you are and/or were an active member. List leadership positions, committees, conferences attended (e.g., LEAD, Raising the Bar, etc.) and duties performed in these leadership roles. Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.

Year(s)	Association/Organization	Offices, Committees, Participation and Duties

List your involvement and participation in Angus related competitive contests (e.g., showmanship, exhibition of Angus cattle, honors, awards, achievements, placings, etc.) at the national, state, regional, and local levels. Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.

Year(s)	Activity and/or Contest	Honors, Awards, Achievements and Placings

Section 3 – FFA, 4-H and Other Agricultural Organization Involvement – 10 pts.

Year(s)	Association/Organization	Offices, Committees, Honors & Awards

4-H & FFA: (Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.)

Other Ag-Related Groups: (Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.)

Year(s)	Association/Organization	Offices, Committees, Honors & Awards

School Organizations: (Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.)

Year(s)	Association/Organization	Offices, Committees, Honors & Awards

Church & Civic Groups: (Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.)

Year(s)	Association/Organization	Offices, Committees, Honors & Awards

Professional Organizations: (Rank in order of most meaningful to you first.)

Year(s)	Association/Organization	Offices, Committees, Honors & Awards

<u>Section 4 – Meat Industry Experiences and Knowledge – 15 pts.</u>

Briefly summarize your experience in meats evaluation and processing.

<u>Section 5 – Livestock Industry Experiences and Knowledge – 20 pts.</u>

Briefly summarize your experience in livestock production, marketing and judging.

Describe the positive impact(s) branded beef products have had on the beef industry.

<u>Section 6 – Leadership and Future Plans – 20 pts.</u>

Describe your ambitions, goals and industry leadership potential. How will you promote, advocate and support the CAB program, the Angus breed and beef cattle industry in your plans?

Section 7 – General Effect – 10 pts. – Internal Use Only – (2024)

Applications will be judged and scored on overall general effect and impact by each member of the Angus Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee.

<u>Section 8 – Attachments</u>

Attach your three letters of recommendations (see instruction pages for details) and your most recent transcript