

# The Heather M. Barley Memorial 4-H Scholarship

**Description:** This scholarship was started by the Barley Family in honor of their daughter Heather M. Barley. Heather was a devoted member of the 4-H community. She believed that being a member of 4-H was not just a week-long stay at the Northwestern Michigan Fair, but rather a year-round commitment to her 4-H projects and her community. Heather was passionate about the fair and thankful for the opportunities it provided her. Through donations from many community members this scholarship fund will last for several years so that Heather's legacy will live on.

## Eligibility:

- Minimum 2.5 G.P.A.
- Member of the Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council (NMLC) for minimum of three consecutive high school years.
- Enrolled as a senior in NMLC for the current year.
- Must be a graduating high school senior receiving a high school completion certificate, diploma or homeschool equivalent.

## Please include the following with the application: (5 copies of the full application is required)

- Two letters of recommendation from two adults excluding family members.
- Resume; including school, work experience and achievements, G.P.A., volunteer, work, etc.
- Essay: How has being in 4-H impacted your life? How will the things you learned in 4-H help you in furthering your education?
- Application needs to include your official high school transcript and/or a copy of your-letter of college/trade school acceptance.
- 3 wallet size Senior pictures

## Scholarship:

- TBD – Market Animal Exhibitor
- TBD – Market or Non-Market Animal Exhibitor
- The scholarship will be awarded during the 4-H awards ceremony at the Northwestern Michigan Fair

## Distribution of monies:

- The scholarship monies will be disbursed by the Michigan 4-H Foundation. Payment will be made to the institution, in which they attend for either their 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> year.
- Scholarship money is to be used for tuition, room and board or fees.

## Return application to:

- MSU Extension - Grand Traverse County  
520 W Front Street, Suite A  
Traverse City, MI 49684  
(231) 922-4825

## Deadline:

- **Must be received no later than Midnight on May 4, 2026**

**Any questions please contact: Mark Barley (231) 633-2129 or  
Tammy Nemeskal (231) 313-0954 [tammy@an-accounting.com](mailto:tammy@an-accounting.com)**

*All decisions made by The Heather M Barley Memorial 4-H Scholarship committee are final.*

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Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Current Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council member: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Total years in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

High School currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

School you plan on attending post-graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Field of study in which you plan to major: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Year 4-H Market project \_\_\_\_\_ Non-Market project \_\_\_\_\_

**List the 4-H projects you have participated in and the year for each.**


**List any 4-H achievements and awards you have received while being enrolled in 4-H**

County Level	State/National Level

This application and attachments will be accepted **no later than Midnight on Monday May 4, 2026** to the Grand Traverse County MSU Extension Office or at the Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council meeting. It is encouraged that all applicants are in attendance for the presentation of the scholarship during the awards ceremony. The scholarship will be void if the recipient drops out of school for which the semester the scholarship was awarded.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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