

Preble County 4-H Beekeeping Scholarship

Through a generous donation from a community member, Preble County 4-H is able to offer a scholarship to a 4-H member interested in the 4-H Beekeeping Project.

Following the lead of the Ohio State Beekeepers Association 4-H Partnership Program, we understand that the success of a new beekeeper is often based on the support he or she receives. Our scholarship program encourages a partnership between the 4-Her and his or her guardian and a local beekeeping association and mentor.

Selection Criteria

- Youth must be between the ages of 12 and 18 by January 1st of the current year of the scholarship.
- Must be a current member in good standing of 4-H
- Must enroll in and complete the 4-H Beekeeping Project
- Applicant must complete and return all paperwork, including permission and agreement form signed by parent or guardian. The application with supporting documents, as well as the waiver/binder form must be received at the Extension Office by April 24, 2020. You can return the scholarship via email to millhouse.10@osu.edu.
- Preference will be given to members applying for the first time. However, members may apply again if additional beekeeping supplies are desired and new goals are identified.

Selection Process

- After all applications have been received; a selection committee will carefully consider each one and select finalists.
- Finalists and/or their mentors may be contacted for a phone interview.
- Selection by the committee is final.

For additional information, questions or comments see the Preble County Ohio State University Extension website at www.preble.osu.edu or contact Christy Millhouse at millhouse.10@osu.edu.



Terms and Conditions - 2020

The selected 4-H member, in the first year, will receive:

A Beginner's Kit that includes:

- Telescoping Top
- 1 Pine Hive Body
- Inner Cover
- I.P.M. Bottom Board
- 10 Assembled Black Superframes
- Entrance Reducer
- Cypress Entrance Feeder w/ Quart Plastic Jar
- Brushy Mountain Smoker w/ Fuel
- Bee Brush
- Standard 10" Hive Tool
- Beginner's DVD & Book
- Plastic Coated Gloves
- Hatless Veil

(Based on availability, items may be substituted for those listed above)

If a member, applies for the scholarship for a second time, he or she must provide a list of items necessary to complete the goals for the project. The Beginner Kit will only be awarded 1 time.

*Upon successful completion of the qualifying term, and the satisfaction of stated conditions, the recipient will be presented a Certificate of Completion of the program and ownership of the equipment will be transferred to the Program Scholar.

The 4-Her will be expected to:

1. Provide bees for one colony. Last year a package of bees cost between \$110-140 per package.
2. Attend and successfully complete a Beginning Beekeeping Classes, if available.
3. Keep a written record complete with dates, photos, and other pertinent data as described in the 4-H Beekeeping Project Book.
4. Keep one colony of bees throughout year.
5. Attend local bee associations meetings whenever possible.
6. Complete a 4-H Beekeeping Project and attend county 4-H judging to share project results.
7. If the criteria is not met, then the award recipient and responsible guardian will be responsible for reimbursing Preble County 4-H for the cost of the supplies provided – approx. \$300.
8. Complete a summary of the learning experience after the project to share with scholarship donor.

4H Bee Scholarship - Questionnaire - 2020

4-Her Name: _____

Parent/ Guardian Name: _____

4-H Club: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail Address: _____

To be completed by the 4-Her applying for the 1st time (please attach additional pages, if necessary):

Why are you interested in bees and beekeeping?

What do you hope to accomplish if you are chosen for this scholarship?

Summarize your involvement in school and extracurricular activities such as: community, church, 4H, youth groups or civic organizations:

To be completed by the 4-Her applying for a second time (please attach additional pages, if necessary):

What did you accomplish with your 4-H project during the 1st year?

What new goals do you have this year?

What would you like to purchase with the scholarship money to help you achieve these goals? Please include the specific item and a cost estimate.

What is your contribution to achieving these goals? (i.e. financial, sweat equity, supplies you already have)

To be completed by a parent or guardian – 1st year only (please attach additional pages, if necessary):

How do you feel your child can benefit from this program?

Do you feel you can support and encourage your child in this effort?
Please Explain:

YES or NO

Do you or anyone in your immediate family have bees?
Explain:

YES or NO

To be completed by a parent or guardian – 2nd year only (please attach additional pages, if necessary):

What did the member learn during his or her first year in the project? Give 1 or 2 specific examples.

What did you learn by helping your member?

How will the goals he or she set for this year, add to this learning?