2017 Don Diego Scholarship Foundation 4-H Scholarship

Application deadline: Must be postmarked or submitted by March 20, 2017

The Don Diego Scholarship Foundation is a non-profit 501-c3 corporation that provides scholarships for outstanding high school seniors who participate in activities and events at the Del Mar Fairgrounds, including the San Diego County Fair. (One scholarship category, Employee, is open to high school seniors and college students.)

The Foundation offers scholarships in six categories: 4-H, FFA, Employee, Exhibitor/Participant, Junior Livestock Auction, and Vocational/Technical. In addition, the most outstanding student will be awarded the Spanjian Family Scholarship and will receive an additional \$5,000. Please see each scholarship category's application for number of awards and amounts. **Applicants may apply for only one category.**

Scholarship winners demonstrate talent for organization, leadership and innovation and make a valuable contribution to the community through participation in events at the Del Mar Fairgrounds, their school and extra-curricular activities.

This application is for the 4-H scholarship.

The 4-H category requires that the student be a member in good standing of 4-H **and** student must have participated (but not necessarily during applying year) in a competitive exhibit department [for example: Junior Livestock, Student Showcase, Student Landscape, Creative Youth, etc.] at the **San Diego County Fair**. Four scholarships will be awarded in this category: a \$5,000 scholarship, a \$2,500 scholarship, a \$1,500 scholarship and a \$1,000 scholarship.

Applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria:

- **Student** must be a resident of San Diego County and a senior in high school with anticipation of graduating no later than July 31, 2017.
- Student must submit a certified copy of his or her high school transcript with application.
- Scholarship must be used toward recipient's education at a four-year institution, or a two-year college where a vocational major or course work is completed in anticipation of transferring to a four-year college or university. Upon receiving student's verification of enrollment, a check for the scholarship amount will be sent to the Financial Aid Office of the designated college.
- **Scholarship** must be used by the recipient within four years. If the full amount of the scholarship is not used in that time, the recipient must apply for an extension, or the scholarship funds will be returned to the Don Diego Scholarship Foundation.

Applications will be screened by 4-H Leaders, Ag community members and/or Del Mar Fairgrounds staff members, and semi-finalists will be selected. The semifinalists will be interviewed by a committee of Don Diego Board Members, who will select the scholarship recipients.

Don Diego Foundation Evaluation Guidelines for Applicants

Updated: 26 December 2016

Criteria and points below are provided as a tool to help Screening Committees and Board Members review each scholarship application. This will provide consistency in selection criteria priorities as a Board, while maintaining an objective process as each Screener and Director evaluates individual applicants.

College & Career Plans	10 Points
Academic Performance	25 Points
Extracurricular Activities	10 Points
Community Service	15 Points
Participation at Fair	10 Points
Written Expression	5 Points
Letters of Recommendation	5 Points
Financial Need	15 Points
Additional Factors	<u> 5 Points</u>
Total	100 Points

The Don Diego Scholarship Foundation Scholarship

Please print or type in ink. Attach additional pages, if needed. Do Not Staple.

Applying for the 4-H Scholarship Category

Applicant Information		
Name in Full		
	Email	
City/Town	StateZip Code	
Date of BirthName of	parent(s)/guardian	
Home Phone Number ()	Cell Phone Number ()	
School Information		
High School Attending	Date of Graduation	
Address		
	attend	
Address		
Student will live: ☐On Campus ☐Of	if Campus	
Student will be enrolled: Less than	half-time ☐ Half-time or more ☐ Full-time	

Transcript Information

You <u>must</u> include a certified high school transcript of grades and have the following section completed by the appropriate school official.

Name of School			
Applicant ranks	in a class of	Cumulative GPA	
School Official's Signature			
Official's Title			
Date			
Phone Number			
Email		_	
School Address:			
Street			
City	State:	Zip:	

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Qualifying Information

For the **4-H** category, fill in the following:

Name of 4-H Club	Years in 4-H	
Local Leader: Name		
Street:		
City:		
Email		
Major 4-H Projects		
Major 4-H Events		
Honors & Awards		
Summarize your 4-H Experience		

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Personal Information

Describe your work and or volunteer experience in the past four years.

Employer & Job Description	Date from	Date to	Hours/ Week	Hourly Wage
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List all school activities in which you have participated during the past four years (e.g. student government, music, sports, etc.). List all volunteer community activities in which you have participated during the past four years. List all other awards received in the past four years. (Attach additional page(s) if necessary).

Activity	Number of Years Participated	Special Awards & Honors
	yrs	

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2017 Don Diego Scholarship Application

Family Information

Father's	Name		
	Place of Employment		
	Length of Employment		
	Position		
Mother's	Name		
	Address		
	Length of Employment		
	Position		
Sibling	s <u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	
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Financ	cial Information		
How do	you anticipate financing	your college education? Please explain in detail.	
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<u>Essay</u>

Write a brief essay, no more than two pages, on the following:

How did you overcome your biggest personal challenge to date, and what was your motivation for participating in the San Diego County Fair?

Letters of Recommendation

To the Applicant:

Recommender Information

Please submit two letters of recommendation on character, ability and competency.

Occupation _____

Recommender #1 Name Permanent Address City/Town State Zip Code Email Phone Number

How long have you known the recommender?

Recommender #2 Name		
Permanent Address		
City/Town	7: 0 1	
Email		
Phone Number		
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How long have you known the recommender? _____

Occupation

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Please give this page to your recommender.

To the Recommender:

The Del Mar Fairgrounds has established the Don Diego Scholarship Foundation to provide annual scholarships of \$5,000, \$2,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000 to outstanding college-bound students in several categories, including one for 4-H students. The most outstanding of all the scholarship recipients will receive the Spanjian Family Scholarship, for an additional \$5,000. Each recipient will have demonstrated innovation, organization and leadership abilities.

In your letter of recommendation, please include information on the student's character, ability and competence. <u>Attach</u> recommendations to this page. **Postmark on or before March 20, 2017.**

Applicant Information	
Applicant Name	
Applying for the 4-H Don Diego Scholarship	

Letters of recommendation may be sent with application or mailed or emailed to:
Don Diego Scholarship Foundation
Del Mar Fairgrounds
2260 Jimmy Durante Blvd.
Del Mar, CA 92014

cmannen@sdfair.com

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In submitting this application for the 2017 Don Diego Scholarship, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Applicant's Signature		
Print Name		
Date	_	

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