



## **NATIONAL BROWN SWISS ASSOCIATION** ***2017 Youth Scholarship***

*The Brown Swiss Association awards a \$1000 scholarship, annually to youth pursuing a degree in agriculture or a dairy-related field. Applicants are encouraged to reapply each year. Additional Scholarships are sponsored by Progressive Sires, Lyn and Peter Vail, Goldfawn Farm, Pixie Knoll Brown Swiss and the Howard Voegeli Memorial Fund.*

**Requirements:** The applicant must be at least a senior in high school and not yet 22 by **January 1, 2017**, and must have been a National Brown Swiss Member for at least three years including the current year.

**Scholarship Guidelines:** Applicant must show proof of acceptance for the fall term at an institute for higher education (beyond high school) or transcript of grades from the past term, if already attending college. The applicant must be pursuing an agriculture or dairy-related degree. *Please note: if you have not received an acceptance letter by March 1<sup>st</sup> – please indicate this and send as soon as you receive the letter. Your application will not be considered if we do not have an acceptance letter by April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.*

- The scholarship will be awarded upon completion of the term following announcement of the winner and after the national office receives grade transcripts, with the applicant finishing the term in good standing.

### **Rules/Judging Procedures**

- Applications will be screened by Brown Swiss Association staff members for compliance.
- Three dairy industry or Brown Swiss professionals will make the final selection.
- The recipient will be announced at the **2017** National Annual Meeting in Canton, OH.
- A scholarship or grant may be awarded each year, there is no restriction. The award will be selected based on quality of application.
- A junior may receive a scholarship or grant from the Brown Swiss Association only one time.

### **Please Note:**

This award is very competitive. Sometimes it can come down to details provided. Make sure to read your application for errors and include grade transcripts and letters of recommendation (if required.) If you requested your school to send your grades directly to the national office, do some follow up and make sure they were sent. Any of these details could make a difference in the judge's decision.



**Community, school, college, and church involvement, activities, and awards:** *(List chronologically and systematically starting with most recent year- things to include: Organization, activities, awards, and year)*

**Example:**

**Leadership**

- FFA- President **2016**

**Honors**

- 4-H Tops in 4-H **2016**
- FFA
  - Dairy Entrepreneur Proficiency- 2nd at State, Gold at Nationals 2014 **2016**
  - Agricultural Sales- 1st at State, 8th at Nationals, 18th individual **2015**
  - Dairy Evaluation-1st at State and 7th at Nationals **2014**

**List College Activities:** *(if already attending)*

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**College or technical school attending or planning to attend:**

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**Major Area of Study:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree attempting to receive:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Expected completion date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If attending college or technical school, please list classes enrolled in:**

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**Answer the Following:**

Describe some of your future educational, career, and life goals.

Consumers are becoming more and more interested in how their food is produced. What can dairy producers do to better tell their story to the non-farm public?

Share with us your daily involvement with your farm operation.

### **Additional Questions**

Describe any further involvement you have with the Brown Swiss breed or the dairy industry.

What are some of your hobbies and interests?

Include a profile picture of him/herself and have a photo of the applicant with a Brown Swiss animal.

**Recommendation:** All applicants must include one letter of recommendation of less than 300 words written by their county or state extension representative or high school/college instructor.

**Additional Documents:**

You must include a copy of acceptance for fall term, or if already attending college, a transcript of grades for the last term, showing proof of being a student in good standing. (Note: In awarding the scholarship, financial status or grades will not be a factor)

To my knowledge, all of the above information provided and enclosed is correct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE: March 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2017**

Send completed application to:

**Youth Scholarship**  
Brown Swiss Cattle Breeders' Association  
800 Pleasant Street,  
Beloit, WI 53511-5456