

Johnson County Livestock & Agricultural Association (JCLAA)

Queen and Ambassador Scholarship

(Keep this page for reference. Do not turn this in with submission packet.)

All seniors who are in good standing with a Johnson County 4-H, FFA, or FCCLA chapter and who meet the criteria outlined below are eligible to enter the JCLAA Queen & Ambassador Contest. At minimum, there will be two \$12,500.00 scholarships awarded for the top Queen and top Ambassador contestants. Other scholarships could be awarded depending on funding availability. A contestant who is chosen as the Queen or the Ambassador will not be eligible for any other JCLAA Scholarships.

Candidate Selection Process

- To be eligible, contestants must have been participants in the JCLAA Show/Youth Fair at least (2) two out of the past (4) four years.
- Contestants must complete the current year's application, which includes a resume and typed essay. This will account for **34%** of the contestants' total score and will be judged by an independent panel of judges prior to the competition.
- Contestants will be interviewed individually by a qualified panel of judges on a randomly drawn appointment schedule (to be drawn on the day of the interview workshop). The interviews are scheduled for **Sunday, November 2, 2025**. No resumes, business cards, phone, etc. will be allowed in the interview room. This will account for **33%** of the contestants' total score.
- An on-stage presentation of the contestant's essay that was previously submitted will be presented by each contestant on **Saturday, December 13, 2025**. This stage presentation will be no less than **3** minutes and no longer than **5** minutes. If these guidelines are not followed, points will be deducted. Contestants will be asked two (2) impromptu questions—one (1) question from the essay, and one (1) question will be asked to all contestants. No phones, props, etc. will be allowed on stage during the presentation or in the green room. Violations will result in immediate disqualification. Contact with a judge or judges at any time during the selection process will be an immediate disqualification. This will account for the final **33%** of the contestants' total score.
- **Contestants must attend the MANDATORY REHEARSAL on Saturday, December 13, 2025, starting at 8:00 am.**
- Contestants and contest officials will be the only individuals allowed in the rehearsal.

Scholarship Overview

An instructional workshop, to assist contestants with the application process, will be held **on Sunday, September 14, 2025. Time and place TBD**. This workshop will provide tips and techniques on submitting a quality application as well as important information regarding interviews and the stage presentation. Parents/guests are welcome to attend.

All Applications will be submitted digitally to the JCLAA Queen & Ambassador email at jclaaqueenambassador@gmail.com. **No paper applications will be accepted. All documents must be sent in a single PDF via email to avoid points being deducted.**

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Transcripts are Required From all Contestants

All transcripts and report cards will be emailed directly from the school to the following email address: jclaaqueenandambassador@gmail.com. All transcript and report cards must include student information, school information, courses taken, month and year completed, final grade, & GPA for each semester. Include any test scores (ACT, SAT, etc.) and the date taken. They must also be signed by the school official. The transcripts and report cards must be received by October 24, 2025, by 4:00 pm.

If you have any questions, you may call Cari Pennington (817) 228-0325 or Bev Bons (817) 991-3066, or email jclaaqueenambassador@gmail.com.

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Application	Applications must be typed.
Description of Participation	Enter the number of each project exhibited/participated
Essay	The essay is a very important component of the application. Detailed instructions are documented in the application.
Resume	The resume should be a maximum of two typed pages in Times New Roman 12-point font with 1-inch margins.
Official Transcript	The transcript must be through the completion of the Junior year.
Report Card	The most current report card of the Senior year. <i>(The transcript and report card must be submitted by the school via email to jclaaqueenambassador@gmail.com)</i>
Photograph	Include a recent 5 x 7 portrait picture (no selfies).
Slide Show Photos	10 Photos of participation in the JCLAA.

Entries must be submitted in a single PDF via email to jclaaqueenambassador@gmail.com on Friday, October 24, 2025, by 4:00 pm. Documents not submitted in the required format will be returned to the contestant for corrections and points will be deducted. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

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Checklist

All items below must be attached and submitted in a single PDF via email for the application to be complete! Points will be deducted for any item not submitted and/ or instructions not being followed.

- 1.** Scholarship Application
- 2.** Description of Participation
- 3.** Essay
- 4.** Resume
- 5.** Official Transcript and Current Report Card
- 6.** Photos (10)
- 7.** Recipient Responsibilities

The transcript and report card must be submitted by the school via email to:

jclaaqueenambassador@gmail.com

Interview workshop will be held on Sunday, October 26, 2025.

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Scholarship Application

Contestant Name: _____

Physical Address: _____

City: _____ **Age:** (as of 12/13/2025) _____

DOB: _____ **Contestant Phone Number:** _____

Email: _____

Parent's Name: _____

FFA Chapter: _____ **4-H Chapter:** _____

College, University, Vocational School, or Technical School planning to attend:

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Major: _____

Number of years of participation in the JCLAA: _____

Select from drop down on each category the number of entries exhibited/participation for each year:

	2026	2025	2024	2023
Ag Mechanics	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Breeding Rabbit	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Market Rabbit	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Dairy Heifer	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Poultry	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Fancy Chicken	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Turkey	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Goat	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Lamb	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Beef Heifers	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Horse	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Steer	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Swine	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Rabbits		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Broilers		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Turkeys		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Goat		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Lamb		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Beef Heifer		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Steer		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Swine		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Dairy Heifer		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Showmanship-Horse		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Youth Fair		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Set Up Grounds		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.
Clean Up Grounds		Choose an item.	Choose an item.	Choose an item.

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Essay Instructions

1. The essay must be a maximum of 2 typed pages.
2. The essay must be double-spaced in Times New Roman 12-point font.
3. The essay margins must be 1 inch on the left and right sides of each page and 1 inch on the top and bottom of each page.
4. The essay topic: A memorable moment at Johnson County Junior Livestock Show & Youth Fair and how this has molded you to be the next Queen or Ambassador.
5. Contestants will give an oral presentation based on the information from this essay. The on-stage presentation will take place on December 13, 2025. Specific information regarding the on-stage presentation is in the attached scholarship guidelines.
6. Contestants will be asked two (2) impromptu questions.
7. Contestants cannot use their name anywhere in/on the essay!

Please remember there are two topics that must be discussed in the essay!

(Please submit essay on a separate page!)

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Resume Instructions

The resume must be a maximum of 2 typed pages. The margins must be 1 inch on the left and right sides of each page and 1 inch on the top and bottom of each page.

The resume gives contestants the opportunity to list information such as:

- Leadership Involvement/Accomplishments
- Academic Achievements
- School and Extracurricular Activities/Accomplishments
- Awards, Honors, and Contributions
- Community Service
- Other

(Please submit your resume on a separate page!)

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Recipient Responsibilities

The selected Queen & Ambassador (and any other scholarship winners if provided through this competition) will be required to promote the JCLAA Livestock Show prior to the event, and perform various duties during the show, including but not limited to the following:

1. Help with setting up and taking down equipment during the week of the show
2. Serve as announcer during each event of the JCLAA show
3. Help the superintendent of each show as directed
4. Help set up, serve buyers, clean up, and any other required tasks as directed on sale day
5. Be present at the annual JCLAA Membership Banquet
6. Be present at the 2025 Queen & Ambassador Mandatory Rehearsal and On-Stage Presentation.

Furthermore, the scholarship guidelines of the Johnson Livestock & Agricultural Association must be followed. This includes grade reporting, including GPA, and delivery of your college, university, or vocational/technical school billing invoice and enrollment for each semester. The JCLAA Executive Board and its members reserve the right to revoke the title, all scholarship monies awarded and future payments owed in the event the titleholder acts or participates in any way that will reflect negatively on the title holder and/or JCLAA. The JCLAA community, directors and members each hold title holders to a higher standard of ethics and integrity. Should the titleholder act in a manner that is found by the board and its members to be unbecoming of a titleholder, said title will be revoked for the entirety of the title duration. By signing this document, you agree to uphold the values and expectations of the JCLAA Queen & Ambassador and agree to represent the JCLAA community in a positive manner.

Contestant printed name: _____

Contestant Signature: _____

Date: _____