



The Georgia Junior Livestock Program

"Youth learning through experience."



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TO: County Extension Agents and Agricultural Education Teachers

FROM: Heather K. Shultz
Georgia 4-H Extension Specialist, Livestock

Ben Lastly
Executive Secretary, Georgia FFA

SUBJECT: 2020 Guthrie Dairy Youth Leadership Scholarship

We are extremely pleased to once again announce the Guthrie Dairy Youth Leadership Award. This cash award will be given annually to 4-H or FFA members involved in youth dairy programs or activities and who need financial assistance in order to participate in workshops, conferences, field days, or any other dairy-related activity that would enhance their leadership abilities. Examples of these types of programs are Junior Dairy Breed Association Activities, Southeast Dairy Youth Retreat, or any other dairy-related program where leadership can be developed. **Exhibiting your Dairy Heifer Project is not considered a qualifying program for this scholarship.** Depending on the number of deserving applicants and availability of funds consideration may be given to awarding more than one scholarship. We are open to different possibilities, so be creative!

Dr. Guthrie retired from the Animal and Dairy Science Department at the University of Georgia in 2000, and it was his wish that he be remembered in this way. Dr. Guthrie was a major force behind the Youth Dairy Programs in Georgia for more than 20 years. Besides overseeing the 4-H and FFA Dairy Judging programs and developing the very successful Georgia Commercial Dairy Heifer Program, Dr. Guthrie has been an unwavering supporter of developing leaders for the Georgia Dairy Industry through the 4-H and FFA Programs. He has been involved in all facets of these youth dairy programs, and many successful producers look back and recognize Dr. Guthrie and his efforts for at least part of their current success.

Enclosed is an application form which must be filled out and signed by the student's County Extension Agent or Agricultural Education Teacher. The signing teacher or agent must also attach a letter of recommendation. When appropriate, an applicant may enclose letters from both an agent and an agricultural education teacher. The completed application and attached letters of recommendation must be received to Heather Shultz's office in Athens, **no later than January 31**. We will have the applications judged and will announce the winner or winners no later than February 5.

Thank you for your help in spreading the word about this scholarship and for your part in helping us identify these outstanding youth involved in dairy programs. We look forward to receiving your applications.

cc: Jillian Bohlen
Francis Fluharty
Larry Guthrie
Billy Hughes
Ben Lastly
Arch Smith
Lawton Stewart

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**Guthrie Dairy Youth Leadership Award
Guidelines**

- 1) Recipient must use the award money to attend the designated program, activity or tour as indicated in their application, no later than one year from the application deadline, i.e.) No later than January 31, 2021.
- 2) **Applicants must be enrolled in the 9th - 12th grade for the 2019 - 2020 academic year to apply.**
- 3) Failure to complete the designated leadership development program or activity by December 31, 2021 will result in forfeiture of the award, and all monies will be returned to the scholarship fund.
- 4) Upon completion of the designated activity, program or tour for which the money was awarded, the recipient must submit a report of not more than one page detailing how the Guthrie Youth Dairy Award enhanced his or her leadership abilities.
- 5) Recipient must send a written thank you note to Dr. Guthrie:
Dr. Larry Guthrie
1070 Mason Mill Road
Athens, GA 30606

Recipient must also send a copy of the note to the scholarship selection committee in care of:
Heather K. Shultz
Hoke Smith Annex-#321-UGA
University of Georgia
Athens, GA 30602

Scholarship Timeline:

January 31, 2020	Applications are due.
February 5, 2020	Recipient notified.
January 31, 2021	Deadline to use the award to attend the designated program, activity or tour.

** Written report and thank you notes due one month after the trip is taken.

Describe your non-Dairy 4-H and/or FFA activities: _____

Discuss other activities (civic, church, dairy related, etc.) _____

Honor, Awards and Scholarships: _____

EMPLOYMENT or VOLUNTEER WORK:

Employer

Dates

Type of Work

What are your future plans? _____

For what event, program or activity are you requesting funding?

Date _____ Location _____

Describe this activity _____

Explain how this event will contribute to your Dairy Leadership Skills: _____

Estimate of Expenses for this event:

Registration	_____
Motels	_____
Meals	_____
Travel	_____
Other (explain)	_____
Total Expense	=====

Amount you are requesting: _____

How will you fund the remainder?

Award amounts based on availability of funds and number of applicants. Awards may cover all or part of expenses.

* Please attach a letter of recommendation from your County Extension Agent and/or Agricultural Education Teacher. *

Attach your essay to this page: