NDPRB UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**2017-2018**

The National Dairy Promotion and Research Board (NDPRB), through Dairy Management Inc.™ (DMI), annually awards up to 11 $2,500 scholarships to eligible undergraduate students (sophomore through senior) enrolled in college/university programs that emphasize dairy. Majors include: communications/public relations, journalism, marketing, business, economics, nutrition, food science, and Ag education. In addition, the NDPRB awards a $3,500 James H. Loper Jr. Memorial Scholarship to the outstanding scholarship recipient.

Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement, an interest in a career in a dairy-related discipline, and demonstrated leadership, initiative and integrity. Candidates are expected to complete an application form, submit an official transcript of all college courses, and write a short statement describing their career aspirations, dairy-related activities and work experiences. The application information is evaluated by a NDPRB Scholarship Committee composed of an external review panel and at least two Board members. The recommendations of the Scholarship Committee are summarized by NDPRB staff and the scholarships are then awarded.

Scholarship recipients will be selected on the basis of the following criteria:

1. Academic performance.
2. Courses related to dairy.\*
3. Apparent commitment to a career in dairy.
4. Involvement in extra-curricular activities, especially those relating to dairy.
5. Evidence of leadership ability, initiative, character and integrity.

Students may be awarded scholarships in multiple years. Scholarship winners must be enrolled during the entire academic year for which the scholarship is awarded.

Completed applications should be submitted to the NDPRB c/o Nate Janssen, Dairy Management Inc., 10255 W. Higgins Road, Suite 900, Rosemont, IL 60018-5616, they are to be postmarked by **Friday, April 21, 2017.** Questions regarding this application or regarding the NDPRB scholarship program can be directed to Nate Janssen at 847/627-3335, or by sending an email to nate.janssen@dairy.org.

Announcement of winners will be made to both awardee and university department chairperson later this fall. Scholarship winners will receive a plaque and a check for the award amount. The stipend will be forwarded to the department head/chairperson for issuance to awardees upon their enrollment for the fall 2017-2018 term.

\*Production related fields such as Animal Science are not eligible according to the National Dairy Board’s Act and Order of 1983.

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**APPLICATION**

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The application and necessary documents must be stapled or bound together. Each application must be accompanied by:

1. An **official transcript** of all completed university credits.
2. A letter of recommendation from a faculty member (other than department head/ chairperson) familiar with the applicant’s scholastic performance. The letter should include an appraisal of the applicant’s academic ability, interest in dairy communications, public relations, journalism, marketing, business, economics, food science, nutrition, or Ag education, leadership ability, initiative, character and integrity.

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**APPLICATION**

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**Please Type**

Name

Home Address

Home Phone No. Cell Phone No.

Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address

Can we use your email to invite you to the Dairy Hub, an online community filled with resources, updates, and conversations for people working in and with dairy?

**Yes** [ ]  **No** [ ]

Name of university where scholarship is to be used:

Name of Department:

Department Head:

Department Address:

Department Phone No. ( )

Expected Degree, Major and Option (if applicable):

Application for: (check one)

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Sophomore Scholarship\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Junior Scholarship\_\_\_\_\_Senior Scholarship

Anticipated Date of Graduation: **NDPRB UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP Page 2 of 5**

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*This information will be used for publicity purposes for scholarship winners.*

Please name your local hometown and university daily and/or weekly newspaper (Name and Location):

Hometown:

University/College:

How/where did you learn about this scholarship program?

Have you received this scholarship before? \_\_\_\_\_Yes \_\_\_\_\_No \_\_\_\_\_Year Awarded

I certify that all information provided with this application is true and correct. I further agree that if I transfer to an unqualified curriculum or department, or discontinue my education during the tenure of this Scholarship (if granted), that the unused balance will be forfeited to the National Dairy Promotion and Research Board.

Applicant’s Signature Date

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List other scholarships, honors or awards you have received.

List/outline your work experience.

List leadership positions held (youth, civic, academic, etc.). Also include membership or participation in related professional activities or organizations.

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Describe your career objectives including a statement of what stimulated your interest in dairy. Describe any dairy-related activities in which you have participated, e.g., dairy work experience, special dairy projects, seminars, directed readings and/or undergraduate research.

Describe how you advocate for the dairy industry (e.g., farm tours, school presentations, social networks and/or other venues). If you have not done any advocacy work, please share ways you can do so in the future.

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**COMPLETED AND CURRENT ENROLLMENT**

1. Attach an **official transcript** from all colleges/universities attended.
2. List all courses not included in the transcript(s).

**Course # Credit Hours Course Title/Description**