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WPA Offers Youth Pig Project Scholarships

LANCASTER, WI- The Wisconsin Pork Association (WPA) is once again offering Youth Pig Project scholarships. These scholarships are designed to assist 4-H and FFA members in establishing swine projects that can lead to development of life skills and career opportunities in the Wisconsin pork industry.

4-H and FFA youth are eligible to apply for a \$100 scholarship used to offset costs associated with their 2025 pig project. Scholarships will be awarded in three age divisions: Ages 9-11, 12-15, and 16-19 (as of January 1st, 2026). Through support from swine breeders and allied industry members around the state, the goal is to raise enough funds to support a minimum of 50 youth scholarships.

Once selected, youth are also asked to participate in an educational webinar to receive their scholarship funds. The Wisconsin Pork Association is committed to youth development and feels that offering resources like this will help further educate youth about swine production, emphasize the WeCare ® commitment of pork producers, and offer other opportunities within the industry.

Interested youth may download the scholarship application form from the WPA website at www.wppa.org/youth-pig-project/ or call the WPA office at 608-723-7551 to have a copy mailed. Completed application forms must be emailed or postmarked no later than **January 16th**, **2026**.

WPA is proud to partner with many local businesses and pork producers to support this program. Any individual or business interested in becoming a sponsor of this program should email wppa@wppa.org, call WPA at 608-723-7551, or visit www.wppa.org/youth-pig-project.

As part of our mission, WPA strives to develop young people for future leadership roles, pork industry involvement, and career success, and offering these scholarships is a great way to provide opportunities and demonstrate our commitment to the future of the pork industry. For more information, visit www.wppa.org/youth-pig-project, or call 608-723-7551.

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The mission of the Wisconsin Pork Association is to promote and protect the state's pork industry in order to ensure its success now and in the future.

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