



# ASBA Scholarship Application

## **Purpose:**

The American Southdown Breeders' Association offers scholarships to junior Southdown members to reward their work as Southdown breeders and to encourage participation in Southdown activities. The Scholarship is available to any American Southdown Breeders' Association junior member who is pursuing an education after high school.

## **Scholarship Information:**

The scholarship is \$1,000.

## **Scholarship Requirements:**

- Applicants must be a junior member of the American Southdown Breeders' Association.
- Applicants must be age 21 or under as of January 1.
- Applicants must be enrolled and in good standing at a college, university or technical school as of September 1, and must intend to enroll in classes at that school the next semester following the application deadline.
- Junior members may re-apply for the scholarship if they meet the eligibility requirements for the application year.
- Applications will not be accepted from previous ASBA scholarship winners.

## **Scholarship Criteria:**

- Southdown experiences and achievements 50%
- Leadership and activities within ag-related organizations 30%
- Essay 20%

## **Application Process:**

Applicants must complete the Application Form which is available on the ASBA website.

- Limit answers to the space provided. You must submit electronically in PDF or Word document form.
- Attach an unofficial copy of most recent transcript, this does not need to be sent from the registrar's office. If first semester college freshman, attach proof of enrollment and a personal copy of high school transcript. Transcripts must also be sent electronically.
- Attach the two summary pages and one essay page. Do not exceed the length specifications.
- **Applications must be electronically submitted no later than August 1** to the American Southdown Breeders' Association office: [ann@southdownsheep.org](mailto:ann@southdownsheep.org).

Scholarship winners will be notified by October 1.

Scholarship winners who are able to attend will be recognized and scholarships will be awarded during the Southdown Social & Annual Meeting at the North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, KY.

## Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents' Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

## Career Plans

Briefly state your career goal and how you plan to achieve that goal.

## Education Information

Name and address of college, vocational/technical school or university at which you are currently enrolled and will be for the next semester:

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Major/Course of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and location of high school where you received your diploma:

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High School Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## References:

Provide names of two personal references along with address, phone number, and e-mail address, if available.

## Summaries and Essay

1 – Submit a summary, typed with one inch margins, not to exceed one page, of your agriculture related activities. Include information about leadership roles, volunteer work, livestock/meats judging team experiences, honors and awards as a member of 4-H, FFA or other agriculturerelated youth groups.

2 – Submit a summary, typed with one inch margins, not to exceed one page, describing your experiences as a Southdown breeder. Information should include when you first started in Southdowns; size of flock; purpose of flock; management responsibilities; marketing strategies; involvement and achievements in shows (local, regional or national) and form of participation (e.g. market lambs, breeding sheep, lead class, skillathon, promotional contests, fleeces, sale committee, show volunteer); and any other venues you have used to promote Southdowns.

3 – Submit an essay, typed with one inch margins, not to exceed 150 words, in response to the following question: "What have experiences related to raising Southdowns taught you that will help you to achieve your career goals?"