

SOUTH INTERLAKE 4-H COUNCIL
4-H Adult Bursary

The Bursary awards are presented annually by the South Interlake 4-H Council to honour outstanding 4-H members and leaders. The recipient is selected based on their involvement in all aspects of the 4-H program at Club and South Interlake 4-H Area level.

One (1) bursary valued at \$500 each will be awarded annually, only if there is a qualified applicant.

To be eligible to apply for this award, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- must be an adult member or leader as of January 1 of the current 4-H year and be enrolled in a postsecondary institution for the 2025- 2026 year
- Have been a member/leader in the South Interlake Area for at least two of the previous four (4) years
- Must currently be involved in a 4-H program either as a member, or leader
- Have achieved in each of the last four years or have been a leader for the last 4 years (or any combination thereof). Have demonstrated a commitment to the 4-H program at both the Club and Area Council levels
- Previous recipients of this award are not eligible. Priority will be given to South Interlake Area 4-H applicants aged 18- 25 and to those who have not already received the 4-H Bursary award out of high school.

The Adult Bursary application must be returned to the chair of the Gold Watch/Bursary Selection Committee.

Please return your completed application and letter of reference by 4:30 pm on April 28, 2026 (late applications will not be accepted) to:

Teresa Melnychuk
Attn: SI Gold Watch/Bursary Selection Committee
Box 296
Balmoral MB R0C 0H0

Selected applicants may be required to attend an interview. You will be notified with your interview time and date.

Once the selection process has been made, a letter of intent will be issued to the recipient. The bursary will be awarded to the recipient upon submission of proof of fee payment from the institution of choice.

Applicants should be aware they will be assessed on the content of their application, conduct and appearance at the interview (if required) and their knowledge of the 4-H program and current affairs.

No applications will be accepted after the deadline date.

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Adult Bursary **Application form**

TO THE APPLICANT:

Qualifying members, leaders or volunteers (see previous page for criteria) who are registered in or volunteer with 4-H Clubs in the South Interlake 4-H Area are eligible to participate in the South Interlake 4-H Council's Adult Bursary program. The recipients are chosen by a committee who may or may not know you personally. Please fill out the form completely and legibly. The purpose of the application form is to introduce yourself on paper, to this committee. Those of you who have applied and not been selected in previous years for the SI Area Adult Bursary award, please apply again.

You are encouraged to complete this form as fully as you can. Feel free to include any additional information you feel may help the committee in its choice. Please list each item on a separate line. You will only receive points for information included in this application. If you require additional space for any of the categories, please make reference to continuing on an attached sheet. Note that bonus points may be awarded in certain categories.

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Indicate what your current relationship is with the 4-H program:

Adult member ☐

Leader ☐

Volunteer ☐

APPLICANT MUST USE THIS FORM ONLY, DO NOT MODIFY, please add additional sheets if necessary to fully answer categories.

Section 1- Applicant Information	
Name	Current 4-H Club(s)
Address (incl Postal Code)	South Interlake 4-H Club participated in
Telephone	Alternate phone
Birthdate	High School and Year of Graduation
E-mail	Post-secondary Institution

Section 2 - 4-H Projects max 10 Points (1 point / project / year) Add pages if needed.			
List projects taken and/or led, the club you were attending, and the year completed. If you have achieved or led in the same project more than 1 year, (eg animal projects) list each year on a separate line.			
Project Name:	leader or member	Club Name:	Year Taken/ Led
1			
2			
3			
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12			
13			
Section 2(b)) Indicate how your participation in at least one of these projects has benefitted you since you have graduated high school. (max 4 points)			

Section 3a- Executive Roles/ Offices (1 point / year / position) max. 8 points		
List the offices you have held in the club, area or provincial level and the year held. If the same office was held more than one year in a row, please list each year on a separate line.		
Position	Club/Area/ Provincial Level	Year
Section 3(b) Indicate how your experience in these roles have benefitted you since you have graduated high school. (max 4 points)		

Section 4- Communications (0.5 points / year / level) max. 20 points

max. 20 points

including Master of Ceremonies, Room Chair and Judging for competitions (use one box per level and include the year)

[illegible]

Section 4b-Highlight how the 4-H Communications Program has helped you succeed since graduating from high school. *max. 3 points*

Section 5- Leadership in the 4-H Program (1 point / activity, not including project leadership)
max.10 points

max. 10 points

[illegible]

Section 6- Community Service *List all areas where you had a leadership role or served on a committee since you have graduated high school/ or the last 5 years (e.g. clubs, Church groups, other non 4-H clubs and volunteer commitments) (1 point / activity) max. 8 points*

Year	Description of your leadership role

Section 7-Other interests: Please list other activities you have participated in since graduating from high school or the last 5 years e.g. sports, contests, recreational activities, work (1/2 point / activity) max. 6 points

e.g. play hockey	

Section 8- How has participating in 4-H benefited you in your personal growth and development? *max. 5 points*

Section 9-Future Plans: *What do you hope to be doing in 5 year and how do you think your 4-H participation will help you achieve your goals? (The committee realizes that your plans may change, but you are urged to complete this section in view of what you now plan) max. 2 points*

Section 10a 4-H Affiliation: *Please describe your current affiliation with the 4-H program (member, leader, volunteer) and the approximate number of hours you participated in 4-H this year. If you volunteer, please have the club's head leader attach a letter of reference indicating your volunteer role with the 4-H program. Max. 4 points*

Section 10b-Letter of Recommendation:*1 point*

Please obtain a Letter of Recommendation from a 4-H leader (cannot be a relative). The letter should be placed in a sealed envelope and attached to this application form or emailed to Teresa Melnychuk at teresa.d.melnnychuk@gmail.com.

Please also have the same leader review this application and complete this section of the application form.

Leader Certification

I have reviewed this application form and to the best of my knowledge, believe it to be correct.

I recommend that _____ be considered for the South Interlake Council's 4-H Adult Bursary

Date

4-H Leader's Signature

Applicant's Certification

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is complete and correct.

Date

Applicant's Signature