

2027
Citrus County Fair Association
Laura DeSantis Memorial Scholarship Award

FACT SHEET

The Citrus County Fair Association, will award one (1) \$1,000.00 college scholarship to a graduating high school senior who is selected by the Scholarship Committee. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage young people to pursue a higher education who might not otherwise have an opportunity. Applicants must be participants in the Citrus County Fair to qualify.

The application must be in the Fair Office by 5:00 pm on Friday, February 26, 2027. No postmarked or metered mail received after the deadline will be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. Applicants must be a Graduating Senior.
2. The applicant must have been an Exhibitor at the Fair, in any youth category, for at least two (2) years.
3. The Scholarship must be used at an approved institution of higher education, within 1 year of graduation from high school.
4. Scholarship money payable to the approved institution or reimbursed to student if it is an approved expense accompanied with a paid receipt.
5. The award will be presented during the 2027 Citrus County Fair Annual Membership Meeting on June 21, 2027.
6. The selection committee may require a personal interview with the applicant.
7. The applicant must complete an essay. The essay must accompany the applications. The title of the essay should be "*Why I Would Like To Win This Scholarship.*"

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

Citrus County Fair Association
Laura DeSantis Memorial Scholarship Award
3600 South Florida Avenue
Inverness, Florida 34450

Date _____

**Laura DeSantis Memorial
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

1. NAME & AGE:

Name _____

Age, on January 1, of this year _____ DOB _____

2. RESIDENCE:

(A) Home Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

(B) Home Telephone Number _____ Cell Number _____

(C) Email address: _____

3. SCHOOL:

Date of Graduation _____

Name of High School _____

Cumulative GPA _____ Ranked _____ Class of _____

4. FAMILY:

(A) Name of Father _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip _____ Living: Yes _____ No _____ Occupation _____

(A) Name of Mother _____

Address _____ City _____

Zip _____ Living: Yes _____ No _____ Occupation _____

(C) Name of Guardian (if applicable) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

(D) Number of Brothers _____ Number of Sisters _____

5. What college do you plan to attend? _____

6. Have you applied for admission? _____ If so, are you accepted? _____

7. Describe why you are interested in pursuing a college education. _____

8. FINANCIAL NEEDS:

(A) Statement by Applicant: _____

(B) Statement of Parent / Guardian: _____

(C) List anticipated college cost for the next year: Tuition Fees \$ _____ Board \$ _____
Lab Fees \$ _____ Books \$ _____ Room \$ _____ Personal Expenses \$ _____
Clothing \$ _____ Transportation \$ _____ Other \$ _____

(D) Will you have any brothers or sisters attending college during the next year? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, explain:

(E) Will you be receiving or will you be a candidate for any other scholarship for the next year?
Yes ___ No ___ If yes, explain:

9. OTHER SCHOOL OR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES SHOWING LEADERSHIP OR PARTICIPATION.

(A) School: _____

(B) Church: _____

(C) Other Youth Groups: _____

(D) Other: _____

**IMPORTANT: Please attach an essay (300 words or less) entitled
“Why I Would Like to Win This Scholarship.”**

Please list below three personal references:

1. _____
NAME ADDRESS PHONE

2. _____
NAME ADDRESS PHONE

3. _____
NAME ADDRESS PHONE

**I HAVE PERSONALLY PREPARED ALL STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS APPLICATION
AND THEY ARE CORRECT.**

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____ DATE _____

**NOTICE: If you are selected you must bring or mail in a copy of your acceptance and
registration at an approved institution of higher education to the Fair Office. Then the school will
be mailed a check or reimbursement to you with paid receipts for approved expenses.**