

Gold Ribbon

Great Lakes Agricultural

Scholarship Program



2015 GLAF GOLD RIBBON SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM™

Who:

All youth participating in local and county fairs in Michigan (open to any age youth, both urban and rural, who are eligible to enter their fair as a youth exhibitor). Past winners are welcome to apply; preference will be given to those who have not received a Gold Ribbon Scholarship in the past.

What:

For the Great Lakes Agricultural Fair Gold Ribbon Scholarship Program™, youth participating as youth exhibitors in each of the following categories will compile a written and verbal presentation of their respective exhibits.

Categories:

- **Large livestock** (beef, sheep, swine, horses, llamas and dairy)
- **Small animals** (poultry, rabbits, cavies, pocket pets, cats, dogs, and goats)
- **Static exhibits** (crafts, horticulture, foods, educational, performing arts and communication, etc.)

Award Levels: \$1,000.00 (three given, one in each category) and \$500.00 (three given, one in each category)

Where:

Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions (MAFE) Annual Meeting and Convention held at the Grand Rapids Amway Hotel on January 10, 2015.



When:

January 10, 2015 (**deadline for applications November 1, 2014**)

Why:

To further the GLAF mission of providing opportunities for the development and promotion of agriculture, education, industry and family entertainment while preserving our Michigan heritage.



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Details

- Applications must include the signature of a Fair Official or Extension Official of the hosting county fair, verifying that the applicant participated in the division they are applying for during the 2014 fair season.
- Up to one applicant from each fair will be selected to compete from each category for the two award levels to give a verbal presentation at the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions Annual Meeting and Convention to be held in Grand Rapids on Saturday, January 10, 2015.
- The selected participants will be notified by December 1, 2014.
- Award recipients will be selected based on competitive judging of the application and presentation.
- All scholarship awards will be deposited in a Michigan sponsored 529 CREF savings account.



**In cooperation with the
Michigan Association of
Fairs and Exhibitions
(MAFE)**

2015 GLAF GOLD RIBBON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

MAFE affiliated Fair _____

Signature and title of Fair Official or Extension Official _____

Division: Large Livestock _____ Small Livestock _____ Static Exhibits _____

Answers to the below questions can be no longer than 6 typed pages including a cover letter. Answers must be typed.

1. List all projects exhibited in the division marked above at the 2014 Fair.
 2. What was your favorite project and why?
 3. What have you learned from doing this project and how has it made you a better person?
 4. What have you done — or how can you get other youth involved in this area?
 5. Describe the scope of your project — ie. How long have you done it, why is it important to you, has it encouraged you to do other things, what influence has it had on your future, etc.
- Application due date: November 1, 2014.
 - Selected participants notified: December 1, 2014.
 - Selected participants final judging on presentation: January 10, 2015 in Grand Rapids at the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions Annual Meeting and Convention.
 - For further information please contact Steve Thelen, Executive Director at 734-944-6262

Return completed application (must be postmarked no later than November 1, 2014) to:



Great Lakes Agricultural Fair Scholarship
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