#### WESTCOAST AMUSEMENT SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

# ADMINISTERED BY SOUTH MALAHAT 4-H SENIOR COUNCIL

2025

1. Why is this scholarship being offered?

a) To recognize and assist a 4-H member in furthering his/her education;

1. This scholarship has been made available from funds donated by Westcoast Amusement.

2. Eligibility - This scholarship is open to 4-H members enrolled in clubs in the South Malahat 4-H Council area and to previous members as described below. The member may be continuing with any post-secondary and/or pre-employment education or training.

1. Members may apply up to 24 years of age;
2. Members must have been enrolled in 4-H within the last 6 years, achieving in 3 of those years;
3. Applications will be accepted from 4-H members who have continued in 4-H as leaders, up to the

 age of 24 years.

1. Winners of this scholarship are not eligible to reapply.

3. Selection procedures:

1. Member must submit the application to a Key Leader by the June District Council meeting to be considered for that year’s scholarship;
2. Applications made by disabled members may be made orally, then submitted to the committee;
3. All factual information will be confirmed by the member’s leader and/or the Regional office.
4. The selection is to be made by a panel of three judges consisting of the following: 1 representative from 4-H, 1 representative from Saanich Fair, and 1 representative who is non-4-H. The selection panel is to be chosen by the South Malahat 4-H Senior Council;
5. In the case of fairly evenly matched applicants, the decision of the panel is final;
6. Individual interviews with each applicant will be held with all panel members present;
7. Selection is to be made before the Saanich Fair - notification will be sent out promptly to all applicants – if the applicant is unable to attend the Saanich Fair, the cheque may be presented to a mutually acceptable other person (e.g. parents or guardian);
8. All references must be checked by panel members;
9. As part of the interview, Members are asked to prepare a 5 – 10 minute presentation in some kind of format (e.g. speech, slide show, powerpoint presentation, etc.) on **“How 4-H has inspired me!”** Member will also perform their presentation to the public at the Saanich Fair prior to receiving award.

4. Points to keep in mind for the personal interview:

1. Remember “Learn to Do by Doing”;
2. Skills gained from group work hold equal importance to skill learning;
3. Consider the development of self-reliance and confidence through 4-H work;
4. Ask the applicant to expand on answers in the application.

e) Examples of other possible questions:

What was the highlight of your 4-H years?

What aspect (part) of 4-H life did you like the least and why?

What is your eventual goal, on completion of your education?

What did you do in 4-H that, in your opinion, will be remembered as your contribution to your club or to 4-H in the South Malahat area?

What do you see as your continuing contribution to 4-H?

5. Guidelines for selection:

a) The candidate should be qualified to enter and proceed with the program of their choice, but a high academic standard is not a major consideration.

b) Selection is to be based on 4-H contribution, achievement, and presentation on “How 4-H has inspired me”, while recognizing that senior 4-H members may also be working to support themselves and/or to save for their further education.

c) Applicant’s contributions and achievements should be considered with regard to the member’s age and abilities; and,

d) Contributions to 4-H should have the widest possible definition (e.g. artwork, babysitting while a leader leads a group).