

Youth Steer, Youth Beef and Youth Dairy Exhibitors Only!!



**THE JAN DILLARD MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
PRESENTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH
THE FLORIDA CATTLEWOMEN, INC AND
THE FLORIDA STATE FAIR**

The Florida CattleWomen, Inc. are proud to sponsor the Jan Dillard Memorial scholarship for any college bound junior or senior student in high school who participates with a Youth Livestock Project in the Youth Steer Futurity, Youth Beef Show or the Youth Dairy Show at the 2026 Florida State Fair. Exhibitors are only eligible to win the \$1,000.00 scholarship one time.

Applicants will be judged on scholastic achievement, grade level, agriculture related involvement, extracurricular activities, letters of recommendation, and an essay. Applicants must have demonstrated professionalism and good sportsmanship in all aspects of showing their project animal. Applicants will be interviewed by a selection committee and will be announced at the Champion of Champions dinner at the Fair.

Scholarships will be paid when the Fair receives proof of enrollment in a post High School Educational Program. The initial collection of scholarship funds must be within two years of high school graduation.

The application packet must include:

1. Completed application form.
2. A copy of current academic transcript.
3. A **handwritten** essay (300-500 words) concerning your involvement in Florida's Agriculture. It should include information as to what agriculture has done for you and what contribution you have made to Florida's Agriculture as well as future involvement.
4. Two letters of recommendation. At least one letter should be from any of the following: 4-H Club or YLPA Leader, FFA Advisor, or County Extension Agent. Letters of recommendation should be from people who personally know the applicant and on letterhead, if possible.
5. Exhibitors will be contacted and a time to be interviewed will be scheduled.

Application deadline will be DECEMBER 5, 2025
(Hand delivered or postmarked).