

# Kenny W. Rodeffer & Jim Lam Memorial Scholarship Application

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Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association

The Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association is a non-stock association incorporated under Chapter 13 of Title 13 of the Code of Virginia, Rockingham County. The Association undertakes educational and promotional work in connection with the production and sale of livestock. The Association currently awards two \$1,500 scholarships each year. Scholarship applications from graduating high school seniors intent on pursuing a college degree in an agricultural related field will be considered eligible for the scholarships. One scholarship is awarded in memory of Kenny Rodeffer, the other in memory of Jim Lam. An applicant may be eligible for either scholarship with one application.

Kenneth W. Rodeffer worked for the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as livestock marketing specialist and cattle grader for over 35 years. In this capacity, Kenny served the greater Northern Virginia and Shenandoah Valley area, covering livestock markets throughout the region. He also provided leadership and council to the new generation of agricultural marketing specialists. As an avid supporter of improved livestock production and agriculture in general, Kenny is sorely missed.

Jim Lam served as President of the Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association from 2014 to 2023. Jim Lam was instrumental in working with the Virginia Quality Assured feeder cattle program from 2004-2010, helping increase the number of weaned and vaccinated cattle offered at stated sales. Jim worked to take in cattle at many state-graded sales Thursday sales. Under Jim's leadership, the Association was able to establish the Kenny Rodeffer Memorial Scholarship in 2014. For Jim's service to Virginia's cattle industry, he was selected as the Virginia Cattlemen's Association's Cattlemen of the Year in 2018.

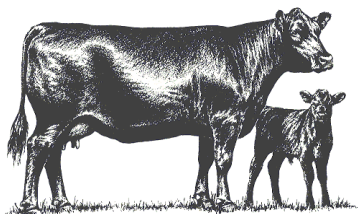
## Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association Memorial Scholarship List of Requirements and General Information

1. Applicants must be a resident of the counties of Highland, Rockbridge, Augusta or Rockingham counties.
2. Candidates must be accepted and intending to enroll at an accredited post-secondary college or university as a full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours).
3. Scholarships recipients *should, if at all possible, be present* at the annual meeting of the Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association; held in June. Scholarship recipients will be notified of the official date and time of annual meeting upon notification of scholarship selection.
4. Potential students of undergraduate degree programs; including two year academic and technical programs and the Virginia Community College System are encouraged to apply, however current undergraduate & graduate student applicants will not garner consideration.
5. Scholarships will be awarded based on academic/scholastic achievement, involvement in agricultural youth programs such as 4-H clubs and FFA chapters, and other meritorious extracurricular activities.
6. Recipients must provide the following information at selection:
  - a. Recipient's Full Legal Name
  - b. University Student ID number
  - c. Contact Person at enrolled institution
  - d. Payee to Whom Check will be Made
  - e. Address of Institution
7. Scholarship funds will be awarded to the respective recipient on or after the 1<sup>st</sup> semester course drop date of their respective academic institution.
8. Applications for 2025-2026 school year must be postmarked by April 1, 2026. It is strongly encouraged that scholarships should be emailed to Augusta County Animal Science Extension Agent John Benner at [benner89@vt.edu](mailto:benner89@vt.edu) or dropped off at the Augusta Extension Office at 13 Government Center Lane, Verona, VA 24482
9. Applications will be evaluated on merit by a scholarship selection committee. The Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association Board of Directors will annually appoint and approve no less than three members of the association to serve on a scholarship selection committee. This committee will have all necessary powers to select a scholarship recipient and will answer directly to the board.

Completed scholarship applications should be addressed to:

Rockingham Feeder Cattle Association  
Scholarship Selection Committee  
c/o Augusta Extension Office  
P.O. Box 590  
Verona, VA 24482

Scholarships applications should also be emailed to John Benner at [benner89@vt.edu](mailto:benner89@vt.edu).



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year In School: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Academic Information:

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class size: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT verbal: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT

Math: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name and Mailing Address:

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Intended College: \_\_\_\_\_

Address and Admissions contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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Intended College Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied: \_\_\_\_\_ Were you accepted/Are you enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_

Please List and Describe your involvement in agricultural related activities:

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Please List and Describe Academic Honors:

Please List and Describe your Work Experience:

Please List and Describe your Volunteer work:

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Please describe your Collegiate Goals and Career Plan upon graduation:

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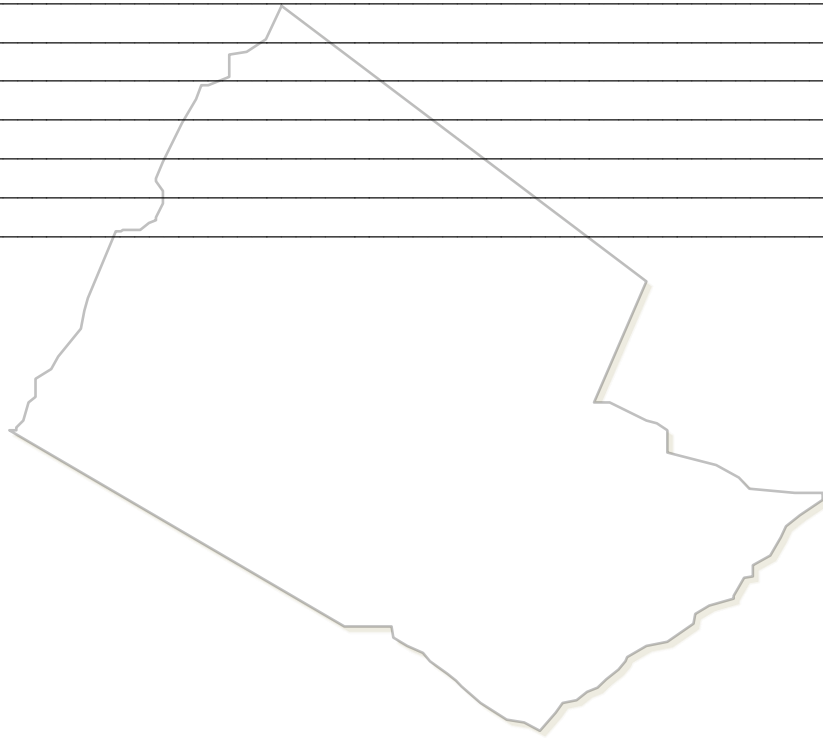
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Please write a short essay (max 1 page) on how awarding you this Scholarship will help shape Agriculture in Virginia or the US:

