

The Matthew Huff 4-H Scholarship

"You have not lived a perfect day unless you've done something for someone who will never be able to repay you."

Three qualities come to mind when remembering Matthew Huff: generosity of spirit, humoroussness and the ability to be a true friend. Matthew was the kind of person that everyone enjoyed being around. No matter what the situation was, he could always find its fun side, and make everyone around him feel at ease. He was a person who was never afraid to befriend someone and could form a friendship within minutes. And, Matthew was not unwilling to go out of his way to help someone in need, even if helping them meant interfering with his own plans for the day.

During his lifetime, including his ten years in 4-H, he was willing to help others whether they asked for help or not. He was also willing to take on these tasks that were not appealing to others. He always tried to brighten people's days, whether that meant helping them with a chore, teaching them something new, sharing a funny story or just offering them his company. While he did not earn Grand Champion in every project, he did not let that bring him down. He always tried his best and was happy with the end result, no matter what it was.

One of Matt's main goals in life was to always be willing to help those who were less fortunate than him. He was always trying to improve someone else's life, even if it meant sacrificing something in his. Awarding this scholarship to someone who possesses some of the same qualities that he did is one way that Matthew can continue this legacy of helping to improve the lives of others.

While the recipient does not have to be a blue-ribbon winner, they do need to be a blue-ribbon in spirit. And that spirit needs to be representative of the qualities that Matthew held, and always tried to show to others. As you complete your nomination, please keep in mind these qualities which set Matthew apart from many others: Humoroussness, generosity of spirit and a willingness to help others.

We would like to thank you for noticing these qualities in your nominee, and for bringing them to the attention of others.

Sincerely,

The Huff Family

THE MATTHEW HUFF 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

(Please Type or Print)

**Due June 1 to Purdue Extension Hamilton County
2003 Pleasant Street
Noblesville, IN 46060-3697**

Name of Applicant/Nominee _____ Years in 4-H _____

4-H Club _____ Social Security Number _____

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Parents/Legal Guardians:

Father's Name and Address: _____

Mother's Name and Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: _____

Projects Completed by Applicant/Nominee: _____

Name of Individual Making Nomination (if applicable): _____

Role with 4-H Program _____

Please attach a short essay (500 words or less) describing why you think the Applicant/Nominee should be considered for this award. Please include a variety of examples of the 4-H'er exhibiting qualities outlined in the attached form.