



## Knox Vehrs Livestock Grant - 2026 Wyandot County Fair Application

Knox was born on September 7, 2018 with a rare chromosome and heart condition. While his time on Earth was cut short, he showed great strength and courage; everyday defying the odds that were stacked against him and changing the lives of those around him. This grant serves to honor his life.

The goal of the program is to encourage and expand opportunities for Wyandot County 4-H & FFA participants to explore and complete livestock projects. Recipients will be selected by March 16, 2026, and funds will be provided soon after. Interviews may be held at discretion of committee if needed. Candidates will be contacted directly.

**Application and supporting documents should be returned no later than March 2, 2026. Applications can be delivered to Wyandot County Extension Office, Wyandot County FFA Advisors, Emailed to [Elizabeth.Vehrs@gmail.com](mailto:Elizabeth.Vehrs@gmail.com), or mailed to Knox Vehrs Livestock Grant, 18226 County Highway 96, Upper Sandusky, OH 43351.**

The Knox Vehrs Livestock Grant will award two or more grants in amounts according to species as follows:

- Poultry or Market Rabbits: \$150
- Goats, Sheep, Swine, Dairy Feeders, or Beef Feeders: \$500

To qualify for the grant, the applicant must be:

1. Between 8 years (and in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) and 18 years of age as of January 1, 2026
2. A first-time market livestock exhibitor OR planning to exhibit a different species for the first time
3. A resident of Wyandot County
4. Willing to learn and actively participate in a 4-H or FFA program and Fair events
5. Willing to learn and uphold the program values and ethics of their 4-H or FFA program
6. Possess a sincere interest in participating in a 4-H or FFA livestock program
7. Willing and available to show the animal in the 2026 Wyandot County Fair, September 14<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>

The grant recipient agrees:

1. To be actively enrolled in 4-H or FFA and remain in good-standing throughout the project.
2. To show the animal in both showmanship and market classes to the best of the recipient's ability at the Wyandot County Fair.
3. To sell the animal through the Wyandot County Jr. Fair Livestock Auction. If the animal does not qualify for the Fair auction, the animal shall be sold at a local auction or privately.
4. The grant committee is not responsible for any unforeseen costs of the animal or program.
5. That in the unfortunate instance where the animal dies, there will not be a replacement animal. However, the recipient must complete their record book and other required duties to remain in good standing with the 4-H or FFA program.
6. To provide a picture with your project when acquired and at the time of the Fair – these photos may be used for publicity purposes.

**\*\*If for any reason, the grant committee feels the awardee is not upholding the direction they wish this grant program to be going, the committee has the right to terminate all dealings and repossess animal and any items gifted in this grant program. The recipient is not eligible to apply again.**



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_ \ \_\_\_\_ \ \_\_\_\_ Age (Jan1): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Address (If different): \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's email: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Address (If different): \_\_\_\_\_

Father's email: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club or FFA Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Current or prior livestock projects and number of years shown: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant must submit:

1. Signed Grant Application Form
2. Letter of Recommendation from 4-H or FFA Advisor
3. Essay (no more than one page) that answers the following questions
  - a. Why are you interested in starting a livestock project?
  - b. What facilities or plan do you have to house the animal(s)?
  - c. Who do you have to help with care and management of the animal(s)?
  - d. What experience have you had caring for livestock/animals?
  - e. What are your future plans for developing your livestock project?

By signing below, both the youth participant and adult/parent agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth above for this grant program and acknowledge the requirements of a livestock project including, but not limited to: housing, feeding, transporting, acquiring veterinary care as needed, and preparing animal for livestock shows. Advisor will support the applicant and provide resources and help find assistance as needed.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H/FFA Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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