

2026 San Luis Obispo County CattleWomen Scholarship Application

Due via Email or U.S. Mail (postmarked) by April 1st, 2026

Email to: sloccwinquiry@gmail.com or Mail to:

SLOCCW % Scholarships

P.O. Box 213

Templeton, CA 93465

How to Download a Copy of the Application that You Can Edit and Submit Via Email to the Scholarship Committee:

To download a copy that you can personally edit, save, and email to the committee...Go to the 'FILE' menu in Google. Scroll down to 'download' and select 'Word docx.' This will allow you to download and save a copy of the application. Completed applications should be a Word doc or PDF. Letters of recommendation and transcripts may be submitted as a pdf or jpg. Compose an email with your application, two current letters of recommendation, and transcript as attachments to sloccwinquiry@gmail.com. Please put your full name in the subject line of the email.

All materials must be received before midnight on April 1st, 2026.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Applicant must be a graduating senior from a high school in San Luis Obispo County, OR currently enrolled full-time at either Cuesta College or Cal Poly SLO continuing their college education in Fall 2026, OR any past San Luis Obispo County CattleWomen Scholarship recipient continuing their college education in Fall 2026 (college does not have to be in San Luis Obispo County).
- Applicants must be in pursuit of a degree or certificate at a 2-year college, 4-year college, trade or vocational school, or certificated program and enrolled in a course of study/major which directly or indirectly benefits the beef industry.
- Your *completed* application must be submitted on time and accompanied by the following...
 - Two letters of recommendation (no more than a year old) from individuals (non-relatives) who can attest to your involvement and contributions to the beef industry.
 - A copy of your current transcript (unofficial transcripts are acceptable)
- Late applications or applications/packets with missing components will not be accepted.

*****Special consideration will be given to members and relatives of current & active SLO County CattleWomen and SLO County Cattlemen, graduates of an SLO County high school, and first-time SLOCCW scholarship award recipients.*****

I. CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

II. AFFILIATION:

If you are (or are related to) a member of SLO County CattleWomen OR SLO County Cattlemen, please write the member(s) name(s) below:

III. ENROLLMENT & ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

I am applying as a...(select one)

- ☐ Senior graduating from a high school in SLO County.
- ☐ College student currently attending Cuesta College or Cal Poly.
- ☐ College student who graduated from a SLO County high school who is currently attending college outside of SLO County.

Have you been a recipient of a San Luis Obispo County CattleWomen scholarship in the past?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

School you are *currently* attending: _____

School you plan to attend in the fall:

Expected graduation date (all applicants): _____

Current Grade Point Average (G.P.A.): _____

Proposed (or Current) Major: _____

I will be pursuing my.... (select one)

- ☐ Associate Degree
- ☐ Bachelors Degree
- ☐ Masters Degree
- ☐ Doctoral Degree
- ☐ Other: _____

IV. INDUSTRY INVOLVEMENT:

How are you contributing to or involved in the beef industry at the present time? Discuss how you are currently involved in coursework, businesses, or projects related to beef promotion, production and/or advocacy. (40 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

V. CAREER GOALS:

Describe your career goals and how those goals will benefit or support the beef industry. (30 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

VI. AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATION MEMBERSHIP & INVOLVEMENT:

Select *all* organizations that you are currently a member of:

- ☐ San Luis Obispo County CattleWomen
- ☐ San Luis Obispo County Cattlemen
- ☐ San Luis Obispo Young Cattlemen
- ☐ Other Cattlemen or CattleWomen Unit: _____
- ☐ 4-H
- ☐ FFA
- ☐ SLO Farm Bureau and/or SLO Young Farmers & Ranchers
- ☐ Other County Farm Bureau: _____
- ☐ Other(s): _____

Briefly explain how you are involved with beef production, promotion, support, or education as a member of these organizations. (20 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

Have you attended or contributed to SLO County CattleWomen or SLO County Cattlemen events or activities? For example, assisted with Pioneer Day roping, entered the SLO Cattlemen Play Day, attended the fashion show, etc. If you have not contributed to or attended any of these events, state "none" or leave blank. (20 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

Describe any *previous* experience with cattle and/or beef related projects. For each project list the approximate date, what you did, what you learned, and how it benefitted the beef industry. (30 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

VII. LEADERSHIP & EXTRACURRICULAR INVOLVEMENT:

Describe your involvement in clubs or organizations in and outside of school that you *have not* already discussed in your application. Be sure to describe any leadership roles you have fulfilled. (15 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

VIII. AWARDS & HONORS:

List any awards and honors you have received along with the approximate date received. (15 points)

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

IX. FOR THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION:

Is there anything else you would like to share with the scholarship committee when considering your application? For example: financial need, special circumstances, unique challenges you are facing or have overcome, etc.

Type your response here. As you type, the text box will expand.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: *I certify that all the information given herein is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also certify that I am either 18 or over OR have parental consent to submit this application, letters of recommendation, and my transcript to San Luis Obispo County CattleWomen as part of the scholarship review process. I am aware that if my application is late OR if one or more items are blank/missing from my application/packet, my application will be disqualified.*

Plagiarism and/or the use of generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools, including but not limited to text generators, image generators, and code generators, is strictly prohibited. Applicants are expected to generate their own work. Any use of generative AI tools will be considered a form of academic dishonesty and will result in immediate disqualification. SLOCCW has access to plagiarism and AI detection software, to which applications may be subjected. By submitting this application, applicants affirm their understanding of and commitment to this policy and our process for review.

Please type your name and the date below to acknowledge this statement:

NAME: _____

DATE: _____