



## Blue Valentine & Driftwood “KIDS Bid” Scholarship APPLICATION

### The Award:

**BV&D “KIDS Bid”** Scholarship fund will award one eligible student, 17 years of age or older. Recipient must be currently enrolled in their first or second year of college or have plans to attend a post-high school educational institution with an interest in pursuing a career in Agriculture (farming, ranching, agribusiness) or in Education. The scholarship amount is \$1,500.

*The money for this scholarship is from the “KIDS BID ONLY” held at the BV&D Heritage Production Sale. The year 2021 was our first-time allowing kid ages 16 & under only, to bid at the Blue Valentine and Driftwood Heritage Production Sale (BV&D). The sale is held annually in September at Springfield, Missouri. Our breeders group includes four horse ranches: Lauing Quarter Horse Ranch (South Dakota), Sunrise Farms (Alabama), B&T Performance Horses (Kentucky), Moonshine Creek Quarter Horses (Arkansas).*

This scholarship was created with the intention of keeping our youth engaged and interested in agriculture or educating future generation(s). The idea for the “KIDS BID ONLY” came from an experience that JD Lauing, one of the BV&D breeders had when he was a young man when his father allowed him the opportunity to bid on and purchase a horse at auction. JD, as well as the other breeders wanted other kids to have that same feeling of responsibility, being able to bid on an animal that they could call their own, watch it grow up, and be a part of their daily lives. We had no idea how much the colt would bring but knew that it would sell to the highest bidder. The first ever “KIDS BID ONLY” was so successful, the BV&D breeders group decided to use the proceeds to develop an endowment fund for kids 17 and older that would be going to college for their freshman or sophomore year. *The first BV&D Scholarship was awarded in 2022 and we plan to offer this annual scholarship for many years to come.*

### Eligibility:

The **BV&D “KIDS Bid”** Scholarship is for **applicants 17 years of age and older who will be entering college for their freshman or sophomore years**, pursuing a degree in agriculture or education at a two or four-year college in the United States. The applicant must show proof of enrollment before the scholarship funds will be disbursed.

**Submission requirements:** Each entry must include the following documents: signed entry form, an essay (in writing), Transcript/ Grade Reports, and at least one letter of recommendation, such as an educational source and/or a personal reference by a non-family individual.

**Judging criteria:** All entries will be judged on a set of criteria to include financial need, academic achievement, service to the community, letter of recommendation, and essay.

**Deadline for Entries:** All entries, including accompanying letter of recommendation and a copy of your transcript must be submitted by no later than **May 30, 2023**. Winners will be notified **by June 30, 2023**.



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Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Male or Female: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address w/City, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Post-Secondary School you  
plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

Select one:  Four Year College  Two Year Community  Junior College

Date Academic School year  
begins: \_\_\_\_\_

Major or Course you plan to  
pursue: \_\_\_\_\_

When do you expect to complete  
the Program / Graduate? \_\_\_\_\_

What Degree will you earn by that  
date? \_\_\_\_\_

Work experience:

Employer: _____	Dates Worked: _____
Hours per week: _____	
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**Please fill out all of the following questions. Attach a separate sheet of paper as needed.**

1) List the activities, awards, honors, and community service you’ve received or participated in over the last 5 years:

2) List and describe your career goals and aspirations.





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6) Please describe examples of your personal leadership experience, in or out of school, in which you significantly influenced others, helped resolve disputes, or contributed to group efforts over time?

7) Name a person, event, or circumstance that has influenced you, and how it impacted your life. This may include a rewarding or unforgettable experience.



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- 8) The following question will not be a complete deciding factor but tell us your knowledge of horses and how they affect your daily life. (Please, think outside the box if you do not own a horse)



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### BV&D TERMS & CONDITIONS

By applying for this scholarship, you are allowing the BV&D Scholarship Committee access to your answers, transcripts, and other personal information. The BV&D Scholarship committee will not share your information with any other group or organization and will keep the contents of your application private and solely for the purpose of determining a scholarship award winner. You will be contacted by the scholarship committee either by electronic mail or by traditional mailing with the determination of this scholarship. If you are chosen as the scholarship winner, recognition will be shared in the media, and we would encourage and invite you to attend the horse sale, but this is not required. If in attendance, you will be introduced at the beginning of the sale and be present in the sale ring during the “KIDS BID ONLY.” We ask that you have your photo taken with the breeders and the new “KIDS BID ONLY” owner. By signing below, you agree to the terms and conditions of this application.

From all the breeders of BV&D Heritage Production Sale, LLC: **GOOD LUCK!**

**Your Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/ Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail applications to:

BV&D Youth Scholarship,  
Attn: JD Lauing  
20079 Canning Rd,  
Blunt SD 57522



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### **Checklist:**

- Completed and printed application with signatures**
- Letter(s) of recommendation**
- Transcript/Grade Reports from high school and college, if applicable**
- Written essay**





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