

A total of \$23,000 was awarded in scholarships to 7 active Arapahoe County 4-H members this year. These members all have different goals for their futures. The scholarships will be used to educate students interested in many different professions - teaching, graphic design, pre-vet, animal and equine science, business and finance, ag communications, and diesel mechanics.

Caitlin Cline received the \$5,000 Arabell J Burnett Excellence Scholarship. She is a six-year member of the Bit of Class 4-H club enrolled in the horse project. She graduated from Arma Dei Academy with a 4.74 grade average and will be attending Utah State University to study equine science. The highlight of her 4-H experience was participating in the State Fair 4-H horse show her junior year winning Reserve Grand Champion in English, Western and Overall horse in the competition. Congratulations Caitlin.

Elizabeth Westendorf will be graduating from Bennett Junior/Senior High School and will be attending Fort Hays State University in Kansas with the goal of becoming an Elementary school teacher. Elizabeth received the Sally Eliassen scholarship. She is an 11 year 4-H member of the Champion Drive 4-H Club. Elizabeth has raised swine as a 4-H member. She expresses that the highlight of her years in 4-H is her personal growth and accomplishments as she worked with other members and adults. Congratulations Elizabeth!

Grant Fetty, an 11 year member of the Antelope Crossing 4-H Club received the Barbara Holthaus scholarship and will be attending Central Methodist University in Fayette, Missouri to study Business Finance. He will be graduating from Strasburg High School. His major 4-H project was the swine project. The highlight of 4-H for him was being able to attend Leadership Development Conferences and State Conference as a Senator and an Alternate Senator. We wish you the best Grant as you pursue your goals.

Anna Vetter received the Melody Kollath scholarship and plans to study Animal Science and Ag Communications at Colorado State University. Anna will be graduating from Byers High School. She is a 12 year member of the Antelope Crossing 4-H Club and has participated in all the 4-H livestock projects. She has raised lambs, and the highlight of her 4-H career was showing a lamb she had raised, named "Ticket", at the National Western Stock Show. The lamb was Reserve Champion in the mediumweight division and got to show in the Grand Drive. We wish you the best!

Garrett Fetty will be graduating from Strasburg High School and is an 11 year member of Antelope Crossing 4-H Club. Garrett received an Arapahoe County 4-H Foundation Scholarship and will be attending Wyo Tech in Laramie, Wyoming to study Diesel mechanics. His 4-H projects included swine and small engines. Serving as President of the Arapahoe County Junior Leader Council was the highlight of his years in 4-H. Congratulation, Garrett.

Rebecca Young is an 11 year 4-H member of the Antelope Crossing 4-H Club and a graduate of CHEC Independent School. She received an Arapahoe County 4-H Foundation Scholarship and plans to study Graphic Design. She has not yet determined where she will attend college. She has raised and shown rabbits as her main 4-H project. Being selected as the Grand Champion Senior Rabbit Showman in 2024 was the highlight of her years in 4-H. We wish you the best Rebecca!

Andrea Carpio received an Arapahoe County 4-H Foundation Scholarship and plans to attend Metropolitan State University of Denver to study pre-vet science. She is a graduate of Sky View Academy and is a 3 year 4-H member in the Bit of Class 4-H Club. Horse was her main 4-H project and the highlight of 4-H for her was winning a buckle at fair for Novice Obedience High Point in her second year as a 4-H member. Congratulations Andrea.