

# The 2021 Dave Spaulding Memorial Essay Scholarship

## **APPLICATION DUE BY JANUARY 5, 2022**

*Dave Spaulding lived each day to make a difference for tomorrow. He was recognized by all who knew him for his outgoing personality, driven tenacity, and sense of humor. Dave was one to always push the envelope, applaud the success of others, and to immerse himself in the passions he developed throughout his life. While these passions evolved and changed over time, his entire being was driven to surround himself with all things Agriculture.*

*As a student at Cal Poly, Dave was involved in many student activities on campus including the swine program and livestock judging. This interest in diverse activities led him, years later, to assist numerous young people and his own children as they excelled in swine projects, cattle, market goats, sheep, and even turkeys. While helping others, Dave and his wife Carmel succeeded in the dream of establishing a swine seedstock farm in Tulare County. During this time Spaulding Genetics amassed multiple show ring championships and Dave served in many leadership capacities on a national level as well as judging swine shows across the country.*

*Dave continued within the livestock industry as a leading sales representative for the livestock feed business and will be remembered for his innovation and advocacy within that sector. Always driven to do more, Dave became a specialist within the horse racing industry and learned as much as he could about the sport, thoroughbred genetics, and to appreciate the breeder, the trainer, and the jockey.*

*The farming and ranching community lost Dave at the young age of 54 in November 2014. This Scholarship is being given by the Spaulding Family in Dave's memory as a way to honor his passion for life, and his unwavering belief in youth involved in agriculture and livestock production.*

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### Essay Topic

**As the California Junior Livestock Association completes its' final year, the Spaulding family would like to have scholarship applicants write an essay. In the spirit of Dave Spaulding's passion for livestock and life, write an essay that includes your thoughts on the following questions:**

- **How has the Covid pandemic affected your life (at home, school, activities, showing, etc.)?**
- **How have you persevered with your livestock projects and plans?**
- **What have you learned from these unprecedented changes (due to the pandemic) and how can you use those lessons and thoughts as you go forward in life?**

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### Essay Scholarship Rules

1. Must be a current year (2021) active CJLA member in good standing.
2. The applicant must be in the Senior Division age group of CJLA. (16-19 for steer, mkt. lamb, wether dam ewe, mkt. goat, wether dam doe, and mkt. hog division members. 16-21 for heifer division members.)
3. Current GPA of 2.5 or higher.
4. Word count – 1000 to 1200 words. Page size - 8 ½ x 11. Single spaced-12 point font -Times New Roman.
5. Cover Page – must include Name, Age, Division(s) joined in CJLA, Phone Number, Email Address, and a Photo. Photo can be of your choosing.
6. Submitted works must be original material and thoughts of the contestant.

Scholarship Awards to be presented during the CJLA Award Ceremonies for 2021 members.

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**Complete Application must be emailed to: Heidi Beljean at [cjlainfo@yahoo.com](mailto:cjlainfo@yahoo.com) no later than January 5, 2022. Any questions please call or text Heidi at (408) 888-2503.**