



Young Producer Scholarship

2026 Scholarship Recipient

Brantley Daniels

Steer • 1st Grade • First Year



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Essay: Why I Should Receive the 2026 Ward's ACE Young Producer Scholarship

My name is Brantley Daniels, I am 8 years old and this is my first year showing a steer at the Oneida County Fair. I have done a bucket calf in the past and I am so excited it is my turn to show and sale my own animal. My older sister and cousins have shown a steer for the past several years and I have got to help them, but haven't got to have my own animal. Each year I have worked with their extra steers but haven't been able to show them. Because I am only eight years old I don't have any money saved up or anything to start my 4-H project with. With that being said, a sponsorship would help me out a lot. As a first year there are a lot of things that I need to get started. Showing a steer is not just about showing up and walking a cow around. I need to also fit and groom him. This year I will need to get my own halter, show halter, show stick, combs, blower, and a nice show shirt. I

would love to be able to purchase some of those supplies without having to ask my parents to help.

This year we got my steer from out of town, his name is Red Rover. He has 20% of his eyesight and because of that I have to spend extra time with him. He needs to learn my voice so that when he can not see I can talk to him so he isn't scared. Some of the things that he does due to being blind is that he likes to walk really close to me, and sometimes he will trip me. He also grows a lot of hair, and because of that I am constantly brushing him.

I would love to be offered a sponsorship to start my 4-H experience off right. 4-H has been something that has been in my family for a long time, and I want to continue to learn and grow and raise beef projects. I am so excited to be able to show this year and I really want to do good! Thank you for giving kids opportunities like these.