



2026 Beekeeping Veteran and First Responders Scholarship Application

DUE Nov. 28, 2025

Name: _____

Address : _____

Phone : _____ Email _____

Military Veteran

Branch of Service: _____

Dates of Service: _____



Veteran Scholarship

Objectives: To educate people in beekeeping and promote the value of honeybees to our environment; to provide an opportunity to experience the responsibility and the enjoyment of beekeeping.

The Award:

- 1) One year membership to Fairfield County Bee Club Association
- 2) Registration and book for beginning bee school.
- 3) A Mentor who is an FCBA member.
- 4) The **use** of one complete hive, a nuc or package of bees, beekeeping gear: coat, veil, hive tools, gloves, and smoker.

(If the applicant drops out during the time period or fails to complete the requirements the hive and equipment will be returned to the FCBA. If the applicant completes all requirements he/she will have permanent possession of these items at the end of one year.)

Requirements:

- 1) Applicant must be a veteran of the United States Military.
(Anyone who previously served in the military or is currently serving in the National Guard or Reserves.)

Expectations for the scholarship winner(s)

- 1) Bee School- to attend as part of the scholarship.
- 2) Club meetings- expected to attend at least 50% of the meetings.
- 3) Bee yard- must attend at least 50% of the first-year bee yard meetings.
- 4) Involvement with community events such as County Fair/Honeyfest booth, presentations to schools, garden clubs, etc.- the scholarship recipient will be

required to serve on a committee, attend a presentation or work an event with experienced beekeepers, on 2-3 occasions over the year.

5) Presentations to the club- a 30-minute presentation will be provided by the recipient in the winter, describing his/her experiences with the bees at that point, and a concluding presentation in the spring describing the situation at that point.

The presentations should include power point slides, or photos along with notes about your visits to the hive, what you've learned about beekeeping, and your feelings about being a beekeeper.

The Scholarship Committee will select the winner of the scholarship. All applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee; the finalists and their parents or guardian will be interviewed by 2-3 members.

Deadline for submitting an application: November 28, 2025.

The applicants will be notified of the selection by mid-January.

Please complete the application on the following pages, either online or print the application and complete by hand, (If you are completing this form by hand, attach another page if needed) Please sign below and then submit all pages of the application to:

President, Garrett Fowler, 210 Buchanan St. Baltimore, OH 43105

or email: as an attachment to: presidentoffcba@gmail.com

I understand the work and requirements of the FCBA youth scholarship, as described on page 2 and 3.

Signature:

See page 4 for applicant written response questions

Veteran Responses

1. Give a summary of your involvement and activities at work, church, clubs or other community organizations (If you are completing this form by hand, attach another page if needed.)
2. Does anyone in your family currently have hives? If yes, how many, and do you work with your family when working the hives?
3. Tell us your interest in Honeybees/beekeeping and what you hope to accomplish if you are chosen for the scholarship.