

National Farmers



2020



**Farm Kids
for College
Scholarship**



2019 winners

National Farmers announced the opening of its 2020 Farm Kids for College Scholarship competition November 12.

“At National Farmers, we encourage students to pursue careers in agriculture, and contribute to our very important industry,” said Helene Bergren, National Farmers national scholarship coordinator. “There’s a generation of students who are passionate about agriculture and farming, and we are pleased to help three young people among many intelligent and ambitious high school seniors launching into agricultural pursuits through their college educations.”

High school seniors planning to earn an agricultural degree from an accredited college or university are eligible, and must submit materials by Feb. 25, 2020. Based upon competitive selection, National Farmers will announce three national scholarship winners April 7, 2020. All three winners will receive \$1,000 toward their freshman year in college.

The scholarship program has been an important part of National Farmers’ work to encourage the next generation in agriculture for more than 20 years.

Best wishes, scholarship applicants!

Scholarship Basics

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Qualify

To be eligible for the National Farmers Farm Kids for College Scholarship, you must:

- Be a high school senior in the U.S.
- Major in an agricultural field at an accredited college or university

In addition to the two-page application, please send:

- Typed essays, listed below
- Two letters of reference
- Official high school transcript, and official GPA
- Official ACT or SAT score
- A recent photo for use in future scholarship promotions, member publications, social media and on our web site, nationalfarmers.com

(It will only be used if you earn a scholarship. Photos will not be returned.)



As is customary, reference letters, transcript and GPA, and official ACT or SAT score should be sent in sealed envelopes.

You could win \$1,000 to help pay for college your freshman year!

Award disbursed directly to the educational institution.

The Essays

As part of the application, you are required to write two essays. The essays give our judges a picture of your understanding of complex topics in agriculture. With that in mind, please be sure to answer the questions thoroughly and to the best of your ability. Feel free to interview individuals knowledgeable in the agriculture industry, specifically in ag marketing and risk management, and use agriculture publications as sources.

- 1. How can marketing production with other farmers and ranchers improve prices for grain, dairy and livestock?**
- 2. Choose one strategy: Niche marketing, price risk management or price negotiation. Discuss and give examples of how that strategy can increase financial rewards on an independent farm.**

(Total for both questions: 850 words minimum, 1,200 words maximum)



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National Farmers Students - Your Next Steps

Your Farm Kids for College Scholarship Big To-Do

1. Complete the application and essays.
2. Request Reference letters from teachers, activity sponsors, employers, coaches, pastors or others. Give them adequate time, and politely check in with them to see if it's been done in advance of the deadline.
3. Check the application's State Coordinators page for where to send scholarship materials. If you do not know where to send your application, call 800.247.2110, ext. 4670. We advise you to do this weeks in advance.
4. Arrange for official transcripts and GPA to be sent.
(Reference letters, transcripts and GPA information should also be sent with your completed application and essays, but in a separate, sealed envelope or envelopes.)
5. Submit your application and accompanying materials to your state National Farmers scholarship coordinator. Materials must be post-marked by **Feb. 25, 2020**.
6. Wait for announcement of winners April 7, 2020. We'll contact you if you received a national scholarship!
7. Friend National Farmers on Facebook and/or follow @NatlFarmers on Twitter to get to know the Farm Kids for College parent organization better. We will use Facebook as one scholarship announcement avenue.

REMEMBER!
The scholarship
deadline is
Feb. 25, 2020!

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Application

Part 1

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Your E-mail: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Telephone/Mobile Numbers: _____

Parents' E-mails: _____

High School Name and Address: _____

Guidance Counselor: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Your Graduation date: _____ High school telephone number: _____

Your planned major: _____

Where you plan to attend college: _____

Your plans for the future and how you will use your degree: _____

Name, address, e-mail and phone number of local newspaper: _____

Name, address, e-mail and phone number of local radio station: _____

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Name: _____

Explain how you are involved in agriculture: _____

High school activities and honors (including year participated and offices):

Community activities and honors (including year participated and offices):



Students: This is your deadline!

Feb. 25 - 2020

Scholarship applications from all students due to appropriate state coordinator or national scholarship coordinator, if there is no state coordinator where you live.

March 24 - 2020

Winning state applications from state judges due to national headquarters.

April 7 - 2020

National winners announced!



State Coordinators 2020 National Farmers

Please send your application and all scholarship materials to the contact in your state. They must be postmarked by **Feb. 25, 2020**.

If a coordinator is not listed for your state, please send materials to the address below, assuring they are postmarked by **Feb. 25, 2020**. All others, send to the state contact listed.

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