



Mendocino County Farm Bureau
Agriculture Scholarship
Deadline March 15, 2019
Please Read Completely

College Student Scholarship Applicant:

The Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship award is to give aid to students with a desire to start a **career in the agricultural industry or in an ag-related field**. The scholarship award is based on leadership skills, high school or college GPA, extra-curricular activities and "a commitment to study agriculture." You must be enrolled in a trade school, college or university, full time.

****Please note: the 2019 scholarship application is the only one allowed for submittal****
****Typed applications are preferred****

When you send your **application** in, it should be accompanied by the following items:

- * **Current Official School Transcript**
- * **Completed Original Applicant Essay**
- * **Two current letters of recommendation**

If any one of these items is missing from your application packet after March 15, your application WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. If, for some reason, any of these items cannot be sent in with your application, but are **POSTMARKED BY MARCH 15**, the items will be included in your application packet for consideration.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? Any full-time student, who is a resident of Mendocino County entering or attending an accredited trade school, college or university; or enrolled in a Mendocino County Community College; and **majoring in an agricultural related field.**

DO YOU HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF MENDOCINO COUNTY FARM BUREAU?
NO, you do not.

WHAT CRITERIA IS USED TO SELECT A RECIPIENT? The award is made based on scholastic achievement, career goals, leadership skills, extra curricular activities, and determination.

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE? All information requested on the application **must be postmarked** on or before **March 15. We will not process documents after this date.**

IS A SCHOLARSHIP RENEWABLE? Past recipients of a Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship award are encouraged to re-apply each year if they continue to meet eligibility requirements.

Finalists should understand that they might not have more than two weeks advance notice of the interview date.

A group of finalists will be selected for an interview with the Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship Committee. These interviews usually take place in April. Finalists will be notified of the date, time and place of the interview in the notice of selection.

If you have any further questions regarding the Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship, contact the county Farm Bureau at (707) 462-6664.

INSTRUCTIONS – Required Documents – Read Carefully

The scholarship application and all the required documents must be completed and on file at the Mendocino County Farm Bureau, 303 - C Talmage Rd., Ukiah, CA 95482 by March 15th.

Applications and accompanying documents postmarked after March 15 will not be considered.

New or re-applying college students are required to submit the following with their application:

- Two (2) current letters of recommendations written by an advisor/teacher/counselor/employer. If an employer is used for a letter, the employment/s must be related to the current academic program. All letters must be applicable to the current school year and have been written within the last three months. Letters cannot be written by a parent or close relative.
- Your current **official school transcript must accompany** the application and be in a sealed envelope from the school registrar.
- An original essay on a current agricultural related issue and how it relates to your current field of study. Please legibly type or write on a separate page using single spacing with a minimum of one page and not more than two pages.

Please Note: The completeness and quality of the application will be judged along with the oral interview portion.



**MENDOCINO COUNTY FARM BUREAU
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Application Year 2019 (Submission Deadline: March 15)

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION:

NAME IN FULL _____
FIRST M.I. LAST

PERMANENT ADDRESS _____
STREET NUMBER CITY

COUNTY STATE ZIP TELEPHONE

STUDENT ADDRESS (If different from above and you prefer correspondence to be sent here)

STREET OR ROUTE & BOX NUMBER CITY

COUNTY STATE ZIP How long will you be here?

TELEPHONE NUMBER EMAIL ADDRESS

DATE OF BIRTH _____

Father's name in full _____ Mother's name in full _____

Father's occupation _____ Mother's occupation _____

How did you find out about this scholarship? _____

SCHOOL (Attending Now) ADDRESS MAJOR/MINOR DEGREE

Junior College

College

List all current extracurricular activities (school and community) in which you have participated during the past two years (e.g., Red Cross, church, sports, job or volunteer work without pay). Attach additional page, if necessary.

Activity/Special Awards & Honors

Years Participated

Please describe any jobs you have held or work you have performed during the past two years; either for your family, part-time jobs, or for outside employers. Attach additional sheet if necessary.

How has agriculture influenced your education/career choice? _____

Major course of study for current year: _____

Have you changed your major/minor in the past year? If so, please indicate reason for the change:

For what occupation are you preparing? _____

Have you participated in any Farm Bureau events? (Young Farmers & Ranchers, speech contests, etc)

My college class standing in September will be:

_____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate

Have you received a Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship in the past? _____

If yes, list year(s) _____

II. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:

Applicant must submit two (2) letters of recommendations written by an advisor/ teacher/ counselor/ employer. If an employer is used for a letter, the employments must be related to your current academic program. All letters must be applicable to the current school year and have been written within the last three months. Letters cannot be written by a parent or close relative.

Required information of the persons who are writing the letter of recommendation are: their name, occupation and contact information

1. _____
2. _____

III. APPLICANT ESSAY:

*** Please legibly type or write on a separate page using single spacing with a minimum of one page and not more than two pages**

***Please focus your essay on a current agricultural related issue and how it relates to your current field of study. All essays must be new for the current application year.**

Signed _____ Date _____

Before sending your application double check that you have all the requested information outlined on the front cover sheet.