Iowa Farm Bureau Scholarship Program

Application Program Guidelines

Eligibility:

1. Application **must be typed** - Adobe Acrobat Reader is required to type in form. *Click here to download for free*.
2. Students or a parent/guardian must be a current Farm Bureau member. For more information and to become a member go to *www.iowafarmbureau.com/join*.
3. Students must be in good standing with the County Farm Bureau and the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation (IFBF).
4. Students must be graduating high school seniors with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale or equivalent. **College and graduate students are not eligible to apply.**
5. GPA and/or a SAT, ACT or COMPASS score is required.
6. Students must be accepted in an accredited institution of higher education (i.e. Technical College, Junior College, Community College, College or University).
7. Students must be involved in school activities (i.e. 4-H, FFA, Honor Society, Student Council, etc.).
8. Students must demonstrate leadership abilities, community involvement and volunteer efforts.
9. Students must submit a typewritten essay outlining commitment to agriculture and rural Iowa (see application).
10. Two letters of recommendation must be attached to the application (i.e. teacher, counselor, community leader, or clergy).
11. Students must submit complete applications to the local County Farm Bureau Office by February 26th.
12. Must be seeking a major and/or minor in an ag-related field or one that will support rural Iowa.

Additional Scholarships:*

1. **Daniel Johnson Memorial Scholarship**
   This $500 scholarship is awarded to a student who is pursuing an agricultural degree and lives in District 7 (Davis, Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Muscatine, Wappello, Washington and Van Buren counties).
2. **Edward W. & Isabelle M. Klodt Memorial Scholarship**
   Students who are from Wapello County are eligible for this $500 scholarship.

**These non-renewable scholarships are awarded for one year only and will be disbursed to the college or university prior to fall semester.*

Selection Process:

1. Students will submit qualifications on an official Farm Bureau scholarship application, along with required attachments, to the local county Farm Bureau office by **February 26**.
2. Local county Farm Bureau offices will select recipients of the County Farm Bureau Scholarship (if applicable) and one applicant to be considered at the state level for the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation Scholarship (IFBF) by **March 19**; three applicants per district (27 total) will be selected for the IFBF Renewable Scholarship.
3. Recipients will be notified by their county Farm Bureau for the county-level scholarship (if applicable) and by the IFBF if they will receive the renewable state scholarship award.

Scholarship Levels:**

State scholarship winners will receive $2,500 from the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation; this amount is renewable on an annual basis pending application review until graduating (amount not to exceed $10,000).

Disbursement of Funds:**

The state scholarship from the Iowa Farm Bureau Federation is applied toward tuition fees only; consideration will be given if a student is on an unpaid internship, clinicals, or rotations (includes global). The total amount of **$2,500 will be split into two payments** *($1,250 to be paid after successful completion of fall semester and $1,250 paid after successful completion of spring semester are confirmed by transcripts)* to the accredited university, institution, etc. until the student graduates (amount not to exceed $10,000).