

Sacramento Farm Bureau Foundation for Agricultural Education **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

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January 1, 2010

Dear Applicant:

The Sacramento Farm Bureau Foundation for Agricultural Education Scholastic Award is designed to give financial aid to students **who have graduated, or will be graduating, from a high school in Sacramento County or have a permanent residence in Sacramento County and plan to pursue a degree in an agricultural field.** This financial award is based on scholastic achievement, leadership experiences, career goals, agricultural and community involvement. You must currently be enrolled, or plan to be enrolled, in a two or four year college of your choice.

Required Documents • The following items are required with your application:

- Official sealed high school transcript
- Official sealed college transcript, *if currently attending college*
- A one page typed essay, *see below for description*
- Photograph - Please email head and shoulders photograph to AgScholarships@msn.com, name picture file with your first and last name (i.e.: janesmith.jpg), *to be used for purposes of acknowledging award recipients*
- Biographical statement, *to be used for purposes of acknowledging award recipients*
- Three (3) current letters of recommendation

Personal Essay • A one page (maximum) typed essay answering the following statement:

Describe the educational and personal experiences that have led you to pursue a university education. Include reasons for your choice of major subject and your present plans for the future.

Eligibility • Eligible students include:

- Any high school senior attending school in Sacramento County or residing in Sacramento County, entering a two or four year accredited college or university, majoring in agriculture or a related field of agriculture study.
- Any freshman, sophomore or junior in college who graduated from a Sacramento County high school or has a permanent residence in Sacramento County, and is currently attending an accredited college or university majoring in agriculture or a related field of agriculture study.

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- All applicants must enroll in at least twelve (12) academic units in the semester or quarter during the year of the scholastic award. You do not need to be a Farm Bureau member to be eligible for this financial award.

Letters of Recommendation • Applicant must submit three (3) current letters of recommendation. A minimum of one (1) letter must be from a teacher and a minimum of one (1) letter must be from a community member. Each letter must be no longer than one page. Letters from relatives are not acceptable.

Criteria Used to Select a Winner • Awards are made based on agricultural involvement, leadership experiences, career goals, scholastic achievement, and community service.

Deadline • A completed application packet **must be postmarked no later than April 1, 2010. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.**

How Many Scholarships Are Awarded • There is no set number of scholarships awarded. However, each award will be a minimum of \$500.00. The award will be issued after the Sacramento Farm Bureau Foundation for Agricultural Education receives a verification of enrollment from the college or university. This must confirm an agricultural related major and a total of at least 12 units in the first semester or quarter.

Note to Past Applicants • All students applying for this award must complete the application process each year.

To Apply • The scholarship application with all required material must be submitted to:

Sacramento Farm Bureau Foundation for Agricultural Education
8970 Elk Grove Blvd.
Elk Grove, CA 95624

For your convenience, the scholarship application is available at www.sacfarmbureau.org. If you have any questions, please contact the Sacramento County Farm Bureau office at (916) 685-6958.

Good Luck!

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● *Application also available on-line at www.SacFarmBureau.org* ●

Applicant's Name, First, Middle, Last _____

Permanent Address _____
(Street, City, State Zip)

Applicant Contact Information _____
(Telephone with area code and email address)

Guardian(s) Name(s) _____
(Telephone with area code and email address)

Guardian Contact Information _____

Social Security Number _____ **College Major** _____

Name of College You Attend or Plan to Attend _____

Address of College _____

Start Date _____ **Estimated Graduation Date** _____

Name of High School You Attend or Graduated From _____

Please describe in paragraph form your extracurricular agricultural project and/or work experience. Specifically note your responsibilities and how your experience has grown.

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Please describe in a paragraph form your community service activities.

Please describe in paragraph form your leadership roles and experience.

Signature _____ Date _____