

**SC Farm Bureau Federation
Young Farmers & Ranchers Excellence in Agriculture Award
2020-2021 Entry Form**

THIS FORM IS INTENDED FOR REVIEW ONLY.

The applicant(s) should **read this entry form and application carefully** before completing any part of it. All applications **MUST** be completed in the online award application portal at https://app.reviewr.com/s1/site/Young_Farmers&Ranchers_Awards_20. No emailed or paper applications will be accepted. The application must be submitted online **no later than 4:00 pm, Sunday, November 1, 2020.**

The data below and throughout the application applies to you and your spouse, if married. Please note that an applicant can be either an individual or a couple that is married. The applicant may choose to apply individually, rather than as a couple.

Applicant(s)*: A1 _____ A2 _____
* Will be used in the program and for recognition

Phonetic Pronunciation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Best Daytime Phone # A1 _____ A2 _____

Email: A1 _____ A2 _____

Date of Birth: A1 _____ A2 _____

Education/Degree: A1 _____ A2 _____

Short Courses/Specialized Study: A1 _____ A2 _____

Please provide one of the following for verification purposes: (check which form you are providing)

- Copy of Form 1099 or Form W-2
- A letter of verification from your employer or company on letterhead that includes length of employment and a brief description of your job responsibilities.

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2020-21 Application

Note: Remember to write in first person narrative for questions 1-5. Remember no state specific identifiers.

1. **PERSONAL BACKGROUND** (family, education and personal interests) – ***Approximately 2,000 characters***

2. **AGRICULTURAL INVOLVEMENT**

- A. Please explain the applicant(s) occupation – ***Approximately 2,500 characters.***

2. **AGRICULTURAL INVOLVEMENT (continued) - *Approximately 2,500 characters.***

B. Please explain the applicant's (applicants') personal involvement in agriculture/agribusiness.

3. **IMPACT ON AGRICULTURE - *Approximately 5,000 characters.***

Clearly describe the efforts the applicant(s) have taken to positively promote and impact the agriculture industry. Examples may include things such as hosting farm tours, legislative visits, writing a blog, etc.

4. **ISSUES FACING AGRICULTURE - *Approximately 5,000 characters.***

- A. Agriculture faces important issues at the local, state, national and international levels. Explain three important issues that the industry needs to address in the next five years. Choose one issue from three of the four levels mentioned above. For example, an applicant might select ag literacy as a local issue, mental health as a state issue and rural broadband as a national issue.

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4. ISSUES FACING AGRICULTURE (continued) – *Approximately 5,000 characters.*

- B. Choose one of the issues in your response to 4A and discuss how you personally have addressed, or can address, that issue and work towards a resolution.

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5. **GOALS - *Approximately 5,000 characters.***

What goals does the applicant(s) have for the next five years related to his/her career, Farm Bureau involvement and involvement with other organizations?

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6. **LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE - Approximately 2,500 characters per section (20 lines)**

Note: This applies to both applicants, if applying together. Please indicate A1 and A2 when applicable.

A) List Farm Bureau leadership roles, involvement opportunities, recognitions and/or awards received by the applicant(s), indicating service on committees, boards or as officers at the **COUNTY LEVEL**.

List each activity on a new line, followed by the respective year(s). For example:

- A1 - President of the County Farm Bureau Board of Directors (2015-2016)

A) CONTINUED - List Farm Bureau leadership roles, involvement opportunities, recognitions and/or awards received by the applicant(s), indicating service on committees, boards or as officers at the **STATE or NATIONAL LEVEL**.

List each activity on a new line, followed by the respective year(s). For example:

- A1 - State Discussion Meet Winner (2016)

6. LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE- *Approximately 2,500 characters per section (20 lines)*

B) List other agricultural leadership roles, involvement opportunities, recognitions and/or awards received by the applicant(s), indicating service on committees, boards or as officers. (For example, Farm Credit, Soil Conservation, Farm Service Agency, farm cooperatives, 4-H, etc.)

Please list each organization on a new line, followed by a short description of your involvement, followed by the year(s). For example:

- *A1 - 4-H, 4-H Livestock Club Leader (2013 - present)*

C) List other community and non-agricultural leadership roles, involvement opportunities, recognitions and/or awards received by the applicant(s), indicating service on committees, boards or as officers. (For example, civic/service clubs, church, school, volunteer leadership, etc.)

Please list each organization on a new line, followed by a short description of your involvement, followed by the year(s). For example:

- *A1 - Local Elementary School, PTA President (2015 - 2016)*

If you had any situations or circumstances that may affect your leadership experiences, please use this space to explain. If you don't have any situations or circumstances, please leave blank.

Approximately 250 characters

Note: There are no points associated to this section and can be left blank.

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