

# THE SOUTH CAROLINA FARM BUREAU EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Farm Bureau membership is required.

Number of scholarships: To be determined by the Foundation's Board of Directors as funds are available.

The scholarships from the Foundation are in honor of six past Farm Bureau leaders that had significant contributions made to the Foundation in their honor. Those six are:

**Robert R. Coker - S.C. Farm Bureau's first president.**  
**Edwin Hugh Agnew - S.C. Farm Bureau's second president**  
**Harry S. Bell - S.C. Farm Bureau's fourth president**  
**David M. Winkles, Jr. - S.C. Farm Bureau's fifth president**  
**J. W. Wamer, Jr., Member of SCFB Board and affiliate companies boards**  
**C. B. Mitchell, Member of SCFB Board and affiliate companies boards**

The **Betty J. DeWitt Scholarship Award Program** was initiated by the South Carolina Farm Bureau Women's Leadership Committee to honor a faithful member and voluntary leader of the S.C. Farm Bureau Federation Women's Leadership Committee and the American Farm Bureau Federation Women's Leadership Committee.

Amount of each Leadership Scholarship: \$3,000.00 annually.

The Award Programs are sponsored to provide scholarship assistance to students from South Carolina Farm Bureau (i) farm families or (ii) farm oriented backgrounds, to pursue a higher education in agriculture or agricultural related majors. It is also desired that these scholarship funds will result in the encouragement of students to develop the knowledge and skills to assume positions of leadership in agriculture, civic affairs and public service.

These scholarships will be awarded to a college sophomore, junior, or senior pursuing an undergraduate degree in agriculture or an agricultural related major.

These scholarships will be awarded on the basis of character, demonstrated leadership abilities, and dedication to agriculture or related fields. The recipients will be selected by the Scholarship Committee of the South Carolina Farm Bureau Educational Foundation in accordance with guidelines developed by the Foundation's Board of Directors and approved by the Foundation's membership. Incomplete applications will not be considered (including photo).

The current scholarship application judging guidelines are:

- Scholastic achievement in college – 35 points
- Agricultural activities, participation and offices held in school and agricultural organizations, and community activities – 25 points
- Students statement and focus on career in agriculture or agricultural related field – 30 points
- Letter(s) of recommendation, which should include character references -- 10 points

Application for these scholarships must be made to the South Carolina Farm Bureau Educational Foundation, Post Office Box 754, Columbia, South Carolina 29202, no later than **April 30th** prior to the beginning of the first semester of the following academic year.

The application form will be sent by email on request. Applications must be typed. The application form may be re-typed, but shall be submitted on the same number of pages as the original forms. All questions must be re-printed in their entirety if the forms are re-typed. The font size must be a minimum of 10 points for all sections. Pages must have a minimum ½ inch margin on all sides.

All application forms once submitted are the property of SCFB Educational Foundation.



**SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT**

**High School Information:**

School Name & Address

Academic Rank in Class

School Activities

**Higher Education:**

School & Address

Major

School & Address

Student ID#

Class status:

Rising Sophomore

Rising Junior

Rising Senior

Cumulative Grade Point Ratio

(2.3 minimum)

Previous semester GPA

Academic Awards received

Other financial aid or scholarships awarded

**LETTER(S) OF RECOMMENDATION**

Attach at least one with a maximum of three (3) letters of reference from Faculty Advisor and others. Reference letters should include information on character, leadership abilities and dedication to agriculture. (Application will be considered incomplete without reference letter.)

**AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES, PARTICIPATION AND OFFICES HELD IN SCHOOL AND AGRICULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS, AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

School activities (Include any offices held)

Church

Work Experience

Farm or Agriculture related

Other

**STUDENT'S STATEMENT AND FOCUS ON CAREER IN AGRICULTURE OR AGRICULTURAL RELATED FIELD**

**Essay:** Applicant must attach at least a one (1) page typed essay regarding your background, future plans and qualifications for this scholarship. The essay should indicate how your education would help you assume positions of leadership in agriculture, civic affairs and public service; **where do you want to be ten years from now; and how do you plan to impact agriculture.**

Limit to 300 words.

Applicant's Statement Regarding Scholarship:

I am a properly enrolled, full-time student at

In good standing (as defined by the Registrar's Office) and understand that I am required to maintain satisfactory progress toward a degree as defined by the Registrar as being the minimum requirements for maintaining this scholarship. I also realize that the terms of this scholarship require that the donor be kept informed of the academic progress of the recipients of such student aid. My signature below comprises my release for transcripts of my academic record and/or grade reports to be forwarded to the appropriate donor on a periodic basis in the event I am chosen as recipient of said scholarship.

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Signature of Applicant

Date

Note: Applicant must initial each page of application.