



Monterey County Farm Bureau
&
Central Coast Young Farmers & Ranchers



2020 Agricultural Scholarships Application

Check all Scholarships you are applying for (may apply for only one Young Farmers & Ranchers Scholarship):

- Monterey County Farm Bureau Scholarship
Central Coast Young Farmers & Ranchers Junior/Community College Scholarship
Central Coast Young Farmers & Ranchers Four-Year College Scholarship
American AgCredit Scholarship

Name: Last First Middle Birth Date: Month Day Year
Mailing Address: E-mail:
City/St/Zip: Phone:

High School Attended

School Name: Dates Attended:

Cumulative G.P.A.: SAT or ACT (circle one): Graduation Date:

College - Enrolled or Intended to be Enrolled for Fall 2020

School Name: Dates Attended:

Cumulative G.P.A.: Major: Minor/Concentration:

College Level Fall 2020: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Expected College Graduation Date: If entering Freshman, college acceptance received?

If you are currently attending college, please indicate the number of units you will have completed by June 2020:

Quarter System Units: Semester System Units:

Please send this application with the attached & supporting documents to the address below, postmarked by: April 3, 2020

Monterey County Farm Bureau, Att: Scholarship Chairperson, P.O. Box 1449, Salinas, CA 93902-1449

Please call (831) 751-3100 or email administration@montereycfb.com for further information or questions.

Checklist for Scholarship Applicants

Before sending your application to the above address, make sure you have included:

- Agricultural Scholarship Application
Recommendation Forms from 2 Individuals
Print clearly! All information must legible!
Resume of School and Community Activities
Statement of Educational and Career Goals
Certification of Application
Essay, maximum of 500 words
Official High School or College Transcript (current)



MONTEREY COUNTY FARM BUREAU & CC YF&R AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The following elements of the application are to judge writing skills, personal goals, and understanding of issues affecting production agriculture in Monterey and San Benito Counties.

STATEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PURPOSE

On a separate page attached to this application, please type a few paragraphs describing your goals while attending college as well as your future goals after completing your higher education. Explain how your career goals could benefit Central Coast agriculture and the areas of focus that most interests you.

AGRICULTURE-FOCUSED ESSAY

On a separate page attached to this application, please type a well-developed, but concise essay answering the question listed below. Decisions will be based on content and not on personal opinions. The entire statement should consist of no more than 500 words.

Technology plays an important role in today's business world, and it's no different for production agriculture. Explain three ways you see that technology can change and improve agriculture. Note the pro's and con's of each of these, as you see them. Also, include any experience you have with any of these technologies.

APPLICANT RESUME

As an exercise for future job seeking, please attach a resume of your educational and community activities, honors you have earned, and work experience in which you have been involved. Please include dates of participation, awards won, and offices held.

OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

Please request an Official High School or College Transcript to be included with this application or mailed under separate cover, clearly indicating student's name and school attended. Transcript must show the most recent semester enrolled. Copies and screenshots are not acceptable.



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CERTIFICATION OF APPLICATION

I hereby certify that I have completed all of the information on this application, and to the best of my knowledge it is correct and accurate. I acknowledge that all information on this application may be disclosed to third parties for the purpose of scholarship award consideration. If I am selected for a scholarship award, I will notify the Monterey County Farm Bureau and/or Central Coast Young Farmers & Ranchers Scholarship Committees promptly of any change in major, college residence, or enrollment that would affect my eligibility for this award.

Applicant's Name

Signature

Date

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants may be incoming college freshmen, starting or continuing students at a Junior College, Community College, or four-year University, or transferring to a four-year college or university.
2. Must have attended and graduated from high school within Monterey or San Benito Counties.
3. Collegiate area of study: Agriculture / AgriBusiness.
4. Strong consideration is based off the essay question.
5. Grade point average, extra-curricular activities, and financial need will be considered.
6. Recipient must show proof of enrollment and maintain 12 units or more each semester/quarter during the 2019-2020 academic year to receive funds. Funds will be distributed upon proof of enrollment during the first semester (or quarter).

AWARD AMOUNTS

- Monterey County Farm Bureau Scholarship(s): minimum \$1,000 award
- Central Coast Young Farmers & Ranchers Scholarship(s): minimum \$500 award for Junior or Community Colleges, minimum \$1,000 award for four-year universities
- American AgCredit Scholarship(s): minimum \$1,000 award

All applications will be reviewed by a Committee of both Monterey County Farm Bureau Board of Directors and Young Farmers & Ranchers. Decisions on scholarship awards will be announced by mid-May 2020 (estimated, depending on the number of applications that are submitted). Award notifications will be made by letter to the contact address listed by the applicant. If an award is received, the recipient will need to provide a Fall 2020 Semester schedule of classes, including units taken for each course, as well as a 'headshot' photo file. Award recipients will also appear on the Monterey County Farm Bureau website and be recognized in an issue of Farm Focus® magazine. Awards are made directly to the applicant (not the educational institution) upon completion of the requirements in the scholarship award letter.

Late submissions or incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration. The application deadline date is the date that applications must be postmarked, including recommendation forms.

Monterey County Farm Bureau is a non-profit IRS-registered 501(c)(5) corporation; Central Coast Young Farmers & Ranchers is a committee of Monterey County Farm Bureau. American AgCredit is an independent lender servicing the agricultural community. Jaynie K. Little is memorialized through scholarship awards as an Executive Committee member of Young Farmers & Ranchers until her passing in 2016.

Scholarship recipients will also receive a one-year Collegiate membership in Farm Bureau as part of the scholarship award. Recipients are encouraged to maintain this membership during their entire collegiate experience.

