

PART I. GENERAL INFORMATION (Please PRINT)

Full name _____ Preferred name _____
First Middle Initial Last

Home address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone (_____) _____ Home fax (_____) _____ Mobile phone (_____) _____

Email _____ Birthdate (mo/day/yr) ____/____/____ Gender: Male Female

Employer _____ Employer's address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Work phone (_____) _____

Work fax (_____) _____ Work email _____

Communication preferences: Phone Home Mobile Work Email Home Work
Mailing address Home Work

_____ % farm income / _____ % off farm income If self-nominating: I am a member of _____ County Farm Bureau

Sponsoring/Nominating group

Please describe your off farm employment

Please describe your farming operation

Community activities

Please indicate how you plan to pay for the program's tuition. (Note: All tuition must be paid in full before July 31, 2014)

_____ I am applying for an OFBF scholarship. _____ I will pay the full tuition myself.

_____ I am being sponsored by another organization; it has agreed to pay the tuition. Organization _____

_____ The tuition will be shared by myself and another organization/company. Organization/Company _____

Percent of tuition cost that is applicant's responsibility _____ % / Percent of tuition cost that is organization's responsibility _____ %

PART II. RESPONSE TO ESSAY QUESTIONS (Responses may be attached on a separate piece of paper.)

Describe, in your own words, what a leader is and how are you a leader?

Describe, in your own words, what the term "advocate" means to you and how are you an advocate?

Why do you want to participate in AgriPOWER?

PART II. ESSAY CONTINUED

What do you hope to gain from participating in AgriPOWER?

How do you see yourself applying the knowledge and skills you gain from participating in AgriPOWER?

List one major issue facing agriculture and describe how you would attempt to resolve it.

PART III. REFERENCES

You must submit two letters of recommendation. The individuals you select as a reference should address your leadership potential. No family members, please. List the two individuals that supplied your reference letters:

First and Last Name

Relationship

First and Last Name

Relationship

References may send their letter of recommendation directly to OFBF at the address listed below, or you may attach the letters of recommendation to your application.

PART IV. COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATE/APPROVALS

The AgriPOWER program will consist of seven institutes held during the months of July, August, September, December, January, February and March. The seminars will include meals and evening programs; it is anticipated that most institutes will begin at 9:30 a.m. on the first day of the program and adjourn with lunch on the final day. Participants are expected to attend all institutes. To graduate, participants may have no more than one excused absence. Attendance at the first and last institutes is mandatory.

I understand the requirements of the AgriPOWER Institute. I am willing to pay a \$400 participation deposit. I hereby pledge to devote the time to complete the program, and participate and volunteer in leadership activities after the seminar year. I have discussed the requirements of this program with my spouse (if applicable) and employer (if applicable). Their support is indicated below.

Candidate's Signature

Date

SPOUSAL CONSENT (if applicable)

I have discussed my spouse's participation in the program and understand the level of commitment. I support his/her decision to participate.

Spouse's Signature

Date

EMPLOYER'S CONSENT (if applicable)

I have reviewed the time commitments for this program and agree to support my employee's participation in AgriPOWER. We have come to an agreement on how time away from work to participate will be handled.

Employer's Signature

Employer Name (PRINT)

Title/Position

Date

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 18, 2014, and mailed to the following address:

AgriPOWER Institute / Melinda Witten
c/o Ohio Farm Bureau Federation
P. O. Box 182383
Columbus, Ohio 43218-2383

