

2023 Franklin County Farm Bureau Scholarship

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Franklin County Farm Bureau, Inc. (FCFB) is an organization that works to support Ohio's food and farm community. Part of that mission is to support the next generation of agriculturalists as they begin a new chapter in their academic career. This led to the annual awarding of our Franklin County Farm Bureau Scholarships to active members and their children.

Each year we award multiple scholarships to students studying at accredited colleges and universities that all together total nearly \$15,000. While we encourage all students to apply, we do preference those students studying an agriculturally related field, or those who are involved in other agriculturally related activities.

This packet includes our scholarships qualifications, application, and letter of recommendation guidance. Please make sure to review the packet thoroughly and that all deadlines are met. The committee will review applications or materials submitted after the due date on a funds-available basis. All other records including our policy and procedures are maintained by the Franklin County Farm Bureau and can be reviewed, in-person, by request.

If any accommodation is required, please contact our office via email: fcfbscholarships@ofbf.org or phone: 614.876.1274.

Thank you for your interest in the Franklin County Farm Bureau Scholarships and we eagerly await your submission.

Sincerely,
The Scholarship Committee





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Scholarship Application Requirements

Applicant Qualifications

- Applicant (or the applicant's parent/guardian) must be a member of the Franklin County Farm Bureau when applying for the scholarship
- Applicant must plan to attend or be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student by their college or university of attendance
 - First-degree seeking, undergraduate students will be given priority consideration
- Applicants may receive one (1) scholarship each academic year as determined by their college or university
 - Previous recipients are required to reapply each year for consideration
 - Previous recipients are not guaranteed a scholarship in current or future review cycles
 - Each applicant is limited to four (4) scholarship awards over the course of their studies.
 - Applicants must meet the minimum cumulative GPA requirement of a 2.5.
 - High School Seniors are evaluated based on the cumulative GPA listed on their high school transcript
 - College/University students are evaluated based on the cumulative GPA listed on their college/university transcript
 - If no GPA is listed, the Scholarship Committee will calculate a GPA based on the grades listed on the transcript as of the date the scholarship application closes

Application Requirements

- Completed Scholarship Application
 - Prompts have a character limit of 1500 characters (about 250 words)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from non-family members
 - Additional information about format and submission options is listed in the *Letter of Recommendation Guidance* included in this packet
 - Previous applicants who maintain a cumulative 3.2 GPA through autumn term 2022 are not required to provide letters of recommendation
- Confirmation of Institution
 - College/University Students: Transcript that includes the most recently completed term of attendance
 - High School Seniors: Copy of their acceptance letter from college/university
 - If no acceptance letter has been received from the preferred institution, notify the Scholarship Committee via fcfbscholarships@ofbf.org

Confirmation of GPA

- College/University Students: Transcript that includes the most recently completed term of attendance
- High School Seniors: Copy of your current high school transcript
 - The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to request a final high school transcript
- Transcripts can be submitted directly to fcfbscholarships@ofbf.org

Additional Guidance

- **All materials are due by March 15, 2023**
- Upgrade to [Adobe Acrobat Reader DC](#) for best experience
- All materials must be submitted to fcfbscholarships@ofbf.org
- All materials must be typed and submitted electronically with limited exceptions.
 - Please contact the Franklin County Farm Bureau for additional information
- Accepted applications will receive a confirmation email
 - If you do not receive a confirmation of acceptance email within three business days of submission, contact fcfbscholarships@ofbf.org
- Scholarship recipients will receive notification of selection by June 1, 2023

Questions & Official Submissions

fcfbscholarships@ofbf.org



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Letter of Recommendation Guidance

Franklin County Farm Bureau appreciates your assistance with our application process. To ensure that the candidate meets the application requirements please ensure the following information is included in your letter of recommendation. We strongly encourage typed recommendations on letterhead when applicable.

Please include:

- Your full name and position/title (if applicable)
- Your contact information (email and phone number is preferred)
- The applicant's full name
- Your relationship to the candidate (employer, mentor, advisor, etc.)
- How long you have known the candidate
- Why you think the candidate would be an exemplary recipient of our scholarship

Once you have completed your recommendation, all materials should be submitted to:

- fcbscholarships@ofbf.org

As a reminder, all letters of recommendation must be submitted no later than **March 15, 2023**. The Scholarship Committee recommends that letters be submitted directly to The Committee via the provided email, however, we will accept submissions from the applicant.

If you are experiencing issues submitting your recommendation, please contact the Franklin County Farm Bureau Scholarship Committee via e-mail: fcbscholarships@ofbf.org

Thank you for supporting our exceptional candidates!

Sincerely,
The Scholarship Committee