



Agricultural Scholarship Application

Your signature on this application is evidence you wish to attend an accredited college or university and enroll in a curriculum in the **field of agriculture**.

The Agri-Business Committee will annually award \$1,500 in scholarships (two - \$750 scholarships). This application is for a one-year scholarship. Individuals may only apply for this scholarship twice (or two years) and all applicants must be a current resident or student in the Sauk Valley Area.

Scholarships will be awarded based on agricultural background, educational and career goals, extracurricular activities and civic involvement as well as the overall quality of the application.

All applications must be received in the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce Office on or before March 1st. Please mail or deliver completed applications to: Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce, 211 Locust St., Sterling, Illinois 61081.

Applications must include the following information.

- Completed application
- Picture
- 3 Letters of recommendation (preferred one ag-related)
- Transcript complete with ACT score, seventh semester class standing and grade point average

Failure to have all required material submitted to the Chamber Office on or before March 1st will be cause for rejecting the application. Applications due to Guidance Offices on February 15th.

Notification of scholarship winners will be made on or before May 15.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date _____

Name _____

	First	Middle	Last	
Address _____	Street	City	State	Zip

Date of Birth ____/____/____ Phone Number () _____

Parent or Guardian _____

Name and Location of High School _____

College you will attend: _____

College Major: _____

Work Experience (paid/unpaid)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Nature of Work</u>
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School Activities (athletics, clubs, programs, publications, etc)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Responsibilities</u>
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Out of School Activities (church, community, etc.)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Responsibilities</u>
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Committee Involvement, Memberships, Offices Held

Other Agricultural Activities:

Student Statement

Attach a statement consisting of 500 words or less, in which you summarize:

1. Your specific area of academic interest.
2. Why you feel you deserve this scholarship.

Student Name (Print)

Student (Signature)

Date

We the undersigned, agree to allow permission for the Sauk Valley Area Chamber of Commerce to obtain confidential student records from the pertaining school system and to publicize said records in the media at the discretion of the organization.

We understand and acknowledge that the scholarship to be awarded, if any, shall be awarded at the sole discretion of the selection committee in light of all materials submitted by the applicant. Consideration shall be given to scholarship, extra curricular activities, career aspirations, religious and community activities, and such factors as the selection committee deems appropriate. No one factor shall be the determining factor in awarding of the scholarship; rather the overall consensus of the selection committee shall be the ultimate criteria for the awarding of the scholarship. The committee reserves the right to not award any scholarships.

Parent or Guardian (Print)

Parent or Guardian (Signature)

Date