

2018 Johnson County Farm Bureau Continuing Education Scholarship Application

Johnson County Farm Bureau Association represents grassroots agriculture. Established in 1917, this non profit advocacy organization supports farm families through programs, products and services.

The Johnson County Farm Bureau Association may award up to two \$2,000 scholarships each year. **Application deadline for the 2018/2019 academic year is June 1, 2018.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Scholarship applicant must be a current paid member of Johnson County Farm Bureau for **one year prior to application date**, or be the legal dependant of the same.
- Scholarship is available for the University or College of the student's choice.
- Student must be classified as a sophomore, Junior, or Senior, at a University or College, in the fall of 2018.
- Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- No applicant shall be awarded this scholarship more than once.
- Johnson County Farm Bureau Association is an agriculture organization. Although not required to apply, preference will be given to those majoring in the agriculture field.
- Payment will be made to the recipient in two installments of \$1000 each, and require the recipient to provide proof of enrollment to receive each installment. (Failure to provide proof of enrollment will cause the applicant to forfeit any unpaid installments). Installments will be payable on or after August 15, 2018 for the fall 2018 semester and January 1, 2019 for the spring 2019 semester.
- Scholarship application **must be typed.**

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

- Academic achievement – Attach a copy of most recent transcript to application.
- Community and Civic Involvement
- Thesis – Must be 500+ words in length and pertaining to enhancement or development of new or existing Agri-Business product or philosophy. Paper should be written in standard thesis format, typed, double-spaced and should include all works cited.

The purpose of the thesis is to surface new and original ideas relating to Agri-Business and Rural Development. The scholarship applicant does not have to be an Agri-Business major; application is open to all students who meet the eligibility and scholarship requirements outlined above. The thesis should be the original work of the applicant, and be written using proper grammar and punctuation. To assist the applicant in the thesis invention, a suggested list of potential topics is outlined below; however subject matter is not specifically limited to the list.

- Farm equipment, design, modification, or invention
- Farm and livestock management
- Environmental Improvement (Ag related only)
- Farm or animal waste management
- New ag product ideas
- Ag marketing and economics
- Rural economic development
- Health and wellness, ergonomic development, farm safety, etc.

Winners will be notified no later than July 1, 2018. All applicants, manuscripts, and supporting materials will become the property of Johnson County Farm Bureau Association, but will not be published without the expressed written consent of the applicant.

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Full Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Parent's/Member's Name _____
(If applicant is not the member)

Member's Address & Phone _____

Membership Number _____

College or University Attending _____

Grade Level & Cumulative GPA _____
(Please attach copy of transcript)

Major Field of Study _____

Would you be willing to help Johnson County Farm Bureau with future activities (i.e. county fair, Touch a Truck, Slice of Ag, etc)? _____

Check any that apply (these fields are optional, but may help us evaluate your scholarship need):

___ I am required to fully fund my college tuition and housing on my own

___ I am responsible for _____% of my college costs

___ My family currently qualifies for the federal free and reduced meal program

___ I come from a single-parent/income home

___ I have a disabled or unemployed parent or parents

___ After filling out the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), I qualify for
\$ _____ in federal loans/grants

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Please list school, community, and/or civic activities applicant participates/has participated in:

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Please write a brief description of your post-graduate career plans and intentions:
(Additional sheets may be attached if needed)

Applicant's Signature

_____ Date _____

Qualifying Member's Signature (if different than applicant)

_____ Date _____