### Scholarship Memo

National Farmers 2017



Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in National Farmers' Farm Kids for College Scholarship program. We are excited to have some of the best and the brightest of your generation passionate about agriculture.

We are awarding three \$1,000 scholarships in 2017. When you complete the requirements for the scholarship, please submit *everything* to your state coordinator by March 2, 2017. The address is on the state coordinators page. If your state doesn't have a coordinator, you send your application straight to me, in Ames, Iowa. We announce winners April 13, 2017, so you'll hear from us if you've earned a scholarship!

This file includes all the materials you need to apply for the scholarship. Please review all the pages carefully.

If you have any questions, please call your state coordinator as listed on the state coordinator page, or me at (515) 598-4670. Best wishes!

Helene Bergren National Coordinator, Farm Kids for College Scholarship National Farmers

# Scholarship Basics National Farmers



Farm Kids *for* College Scholarship



2016 Farm Kids **National Winners** 

To be eligible for the National Farmers Farm Kids for College Scholarship, you must:

Award disbursed directly to the educational institution.

You could win \$1,000 to help pay for college your freshman year!

- Be a high school senior
- Major in an agricultural field at an accredited college or university

#### In addition to the two-page application, please send:

- · Typed essays, listed below
- Two letters of reference
- Official high school transcript, and official GPA
- Official ACT or SAT score
- A recent photo for use in future scholarship promotions, member publications, social media and on our web site, nationalfarmers.com. (It will only be used if you earn a scholarship. Photos will not be returned.)

## The Essays

The essays give our judges a picture of your understanding of complex topics in agriculture. With that in mind, please be sure to answer the questions thoroughly and to the best of your ability. Feel free to interview individuals knowledgeable in the agriculture industry, specifically in ag marketing and risk management, and use agriculture publications as sources.

- 1. How can marketing production with other farmers and ranchers improve prices for grain, dairy and livestock?
- 2. Choose one strategy: Niche marketing, price risk management or price negotiation. Discuss and give examples of how that strategy can increase financial rewards on an independent farm. (Total for both questions: 850 words minimum, 1,200 words maximum)

## Your Next Steps



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#### Your Farm Kids for College Scholarship Big To-Do

- 1. Complete the application and essays
- 2. Request References
- 3. Check the application's State Coordinators page for where to send scholarship materials. If you do not know where to send your application, call 800.247.2110, ext. 4670. We advise you to do this weeks in advance.
- 4. Arrange for official transcripts and GPA to be sent (Reference letters, transcripts and GPA information may also be sent with your completed application and essays, but in a separate, sealed envelope or envelopes.)
- REMEMBER The scholarship deadline is March 2, 2017!
- 5. Submit your application and accompanying materials to your state National Farmers scholarship coordinator. Materials must be postmarked by March 2, 2017.
- 6. Wait for announcement of winners April 13, 2017. We'll contact you if you received a national scholarship!
- 7. Friend National Farmers on Facebook and/or follow @NatlFarmers on Twitter to get to know the Farm Kids for College parent organization better. We will use Facebook as one scholarship announcement avenue.





# Application 2017

| Name:                                 |                     |                |
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| Address:                              |                     |                |
| City                                  |                     |                |
| Your E-mail:                          |                     |                |
| Parents'/Guardians' Names:            |                     |                |
| Parents'/Guardians' Telephone/Mobile  | Numbers:            |                |
| Parents' E-mails:                     |                     |                |
| High School Name and Address:         |                     |                |
| Guidance Counselor:                   | Telepho             | ne Number:     |
| Your Graduation date:                 | High school tele    | ephone number: |
| Your planned major:                   |                     |                |
| Where you plan to attend college:     |                     |                |
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| Your plans for the future and how you | will use your degr  | ree:           |
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| Name, address, e-mail and phone num   | nber of local radio | o station:     |
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# Application Part 2 2017 National Farmers

| Name:  |
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| Explain how you are involved in agriculture:                                 |
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| High school activities and honors (including year participated and offices): |
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| Community activities and honors (including year participated and offices):   |
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# **National Farmers**



Deadlines 2017

Students: This is your deadline

March 2-2017

Scholarship applications from all students due to appropriate state coordinator or national scholarship coordinator.

March 30 - 2017

Winning state applications from state judges due to national headquarters.

April 13 - 2017

National winners announced.



# State Coordinators 2017 National Farmers

Please send your application and all scholarship materials to the contact in your state. They must be postmarked by March 2, 2017.

If a coordinator is not listed for your state, please send materials to the address below, assuring they are postmarked by March 2, 2017.

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Not all states offer monetary awards.