



To Serve And Strengthen Agriculture

Rensselaer County Farm Bureau

Scholarship Guidelines

Rensselaer County Farm Bureau is proud to sponsor scholarships for candidate (s) interested in pursuing a career in agriculture. **Must be postmarked on or before August 15th.**

Cash prizes will be awarded to persons who meet the following criteria:

1. The candidate must be accepted to, or attending an accredited two or four year institution of higher learning.
2. The candidate must be a resident of Rensselaer County, a member of the Farm Bureau and in good standing for a minimum period of one (1) year.
3. The candidate must be studying an agriculturally related field.
4. Criteria for selection:
 - Ability and Potential
 - Academic Performance
 - Scholarship Application
 - Letter of Recommendation
 - Interview by Scholarship Committee (At Committee discretion)
5. Candidate Responsibility:
 - All required information must be postmarked on or before August 15th.
 - Return all required information to:

Rensselaer County Farm Bureau
Eastern New York Farm Bureau Regional Office
PO Box 370
Salem, NY 12865

6. Required Information:
 - Complete Application
 - Submit a photo-headshot/yearbook picture
 - Acceptance letter from institution of higher education including area of study.
 - One letter of recommendation*:
 - From student's advisor, guidance counselor, teacher or employer.

*Must be received directly from high school, college or person making recommendation.

*Upon submitting application and required items you agree that New York Farm Bureau may use your name, picture, college and major in press releases/promotions.

7. Notification: Recipients will be notified by October 30th. A check for the amount awarded will be forwarded directly to the applicant.

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Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

High School / College: _____

Higher Education Institution
Accepted By: _____

Address: _____

Intended Field of Study: _____

Briefly describe your educational goals.

Please list any work experiences, including transcripts that directly relate to your field of study.

Please list activities in which you have taken an active role. Include school, community or other organizations. Indicate responsible positions which you have held.

Essay Question: Please describe why you feel a strong agricultural industry is important to Rensselaer County. (Attach a maximum of 2 pages)