



Ray DeVries Memorial Scholarship

Application deadline - **July 30, 2025**

Instructions and Information

Each year the Washington State Farm Bureau offers up to five (5) \$2,000 scholarships. A person may receive the scholarship only once and must meet the following requirements.

Applicant must be:

1. A member, or the son, daughter, or legal dependent of a Farm Bureau member family with a current membership
 - a. Not a member? Join today! Visit www.wsfb.com/application to apply today!
2. Attending or planning to attend an accredited college/university, or technical school
3. Enrolled or planning to enroll in an agricultural field or in course of study that relates to agriculture, e.g. food science, horticulture, Ag technical course, animal science, Ag business, etc.
 - a. If you **are not** enrolled in an agricultural field please see section 4 of the cover sheet instructions.



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To apply, submit with attached cover sheet the following:

1. A copy of college/university grade transcript (must also include spring term just completed). GPA must be 2.0 or better.
2. Minimum two letters of recommendation (one must be from college/university advisor).
3. A one to two-page essay on your choice of vocation or profession and your future role in agriculture.
4. For those applicants who are enrolled in a course of studies outside the purview of agriculture, a statement (approx. 300 words) needs to be provided showing how the chosen field of instruction applies to Ag. Further, elective course work (as listed on transcript) and student activities (as listed in #5) must support the statement.
5. A summary of your activities and service to your high school and college (FFA, extra curricular activities, student government, departmental clubs, etc.); to your community (4-H, service projects, church, etc.); to your family (how you have helped with your family's farming enterprise or other family responsibilities); and all work experience. This may be submitted as a resume and may include any awards received.
6. Submit a brief essay on the importance of Farm Bureau. Indicate how you envision your involvement in an Ag leadership role in the future.
7. Prepare a proposed budget for the coming school year (expenses: tuition, books, room and board, etc.) indicating how you plan to pay for your education beyond this scholarship (assets: savings, wages, parental support, other scholarships, etc.).
8. Submit your intended fall class schedule for the coming term (college enrollment printout or signed statement from advisor).
9. Provide a photo of yourself suitable for publication.

Other details:

- Applicants will be judged on the basis of:
 - Essay on Choice of Vocation or Profession (30)
 - Academics (classes chosen to prepare for career choice) (15)
 - GPA (5)
 - Community and School Activities (20)
 - Work and Service to Family (15)
 - Essay on Importance of Farm Bureau (10)
 - Budget (5)

Total Points 100

- Winners will be announced in August.
- Payment will be made directly to the college/university registrar's office in winner's name.
- A scholarship shall be used in the year following its award. In the event the scholarship is not used within a year's time, the recipient must present a request for a time extension. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture.

Please direct any questions to the Washington Farm Bureau office via email at scholarships@wsfb.com or phone at (360) 357-9975.



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Application Cover Sheet (please type or print)

1. Name: _____
2. Permanent Address: _____
3. Telephone Number (include area code): _____
E-mail: _____
4. Names of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____
5. Address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____
6. Name of County Farm Bureau where membership is held: _____
7. Is FB member in student's name or parent's name? _____
8. College/University applicant attends: _____
9. What is your major? _____

Please read and follow the attached instructions. Be sure you have included the following items:

- Complete collegiate transcript (including spring term just completed)
- Two letters of recommendation (one must be from college/university advisor)
- Essay on choice of vocation
- (For non-ag majors) statement showing how major applies to ag
- Summary of activities, service, and work
- Essay on Farm Bureau and ag leadership
- Budget
- Class schedule for coming term
- Photo suitable for PR use

Applicant's Signature

Date

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Submissions can be e-mailed to scholarships@wsfb.com or mailed to:

Washington Farm Bureau
975 Carpenter Rd NE, Suite 301
Lacey, WA 98516