



# **2026 Scholarship Application**

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**Application Deadline is March 13, 2026**



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**Description:**

Eight \$1000.00 scholarships will be awarded to qualified applicants based on scholastic achievement, leadership in agriculture and a perceived ability to contribute to agriculture in the future. Applicants must be pursuing careers in a profession that contributes to benefiting rural communities. Please include a current photo with application.

**PLEASE COMPLETE:**

Name – Last, First, Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address – Street, P.O. Box

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parent/Guardian – If different than yours \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Telephone Number

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High School, College or University you now attend

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College or University planning to attend with this scholarship (Include Address, City, State and Zip Code)

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(Please attach additional sheets if necessary to answer any question.)

You have chosen a College or University that you wish to attend: Why have you chosen this specific institution?

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What major are you planning to study? How does it relate to your future goals? If you are undecided, what factors will you consider when choosing a major?

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Please state how your family is involved in agriculture.

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Describe any ag-related or leadership programs or projects you have been involved in high school or elsewhere.

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Please list and explain any special interests, hobbies and non-academic school activities.

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List funds and/or financial aid available to you from any source.

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How do you plan to use your education for the benefit of rural America?

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Where do you see your life in ten (10) years?

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## **ESSAY**

On a separate piece of paper, in 500 – 600 words, please explain how your family is involved with cooperatives (or a cooperative) and what cooperatives have meant to you and your family. Also, if you could change one thing in agriculture today, what would it be and why?

## ACADEMIC STATUS VERIFICATION

To be completed by a school official or copy of transcript must be included. Please (X) one.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of transcript enclosed

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Official's signature and title \_\_\_\_\_

Your accumulated grade point average \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

To the best of my knowledge, the material contained in this application is true and complete.

If I am selected as a recipient of this scholarship, I give my consent to SWG to disclose my name and photograph for use in press releases, social media and other communications promoting Southwest Grain's Scholarship Program.

**\*\*Please Include a current photograph with this application.  
Points will be deducted if no picture is submitted.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Application deadline is March 13, 2026.  
Only scholarship winners will be notified by  
May.**