



2010 Agribusiness Scholarship

United Cooperative is pleased to offer 10, \$1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors pursuing agricultural OR nonagricultural majors. The scholarships will be paid upon receipt of transcript showing completion of the first semester and proof of registration for the second semester.

Eligibility requirements include:

1. The student or the parent must be a patron member of United Cooperative.
2. The student must attend an accredited college, university, or technical school.
3. The student must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or above on a 4.0 scale.

Applicants will be judged on their leadership skills, scholastic achievement, extra curricular activities, motivation, and academic and personal goals. At least five of the scholarships will be awarded to students majoring in an agricultural field. A least one of the scholarships will be awarded to a student attending a technical school.

The scholarships are made available through United Cooperative Federated Youth Foundation account. The Wisconsin Federation of Cooperatives Federated Youth Foundation committee will make the selection for the scholarships.

Deadline for complete application: Must be received by March 1, 2010.

Mail to:

United Cooperative
Attn: Dori Lichty
N7160 Raceway Road
Beaver Dam, WI 53916

Include the complete application form* and a photograph for publicity purposes.

Call 1-800-924-2991 if you have questions.

*** Give the attached reference form to one person, such as an instructor, youth agent, employer, etc. Make sure the completed reference form, located in a sealed and initialed envelope from the reference, is mailed with your application.**



Agribusiness Scholarship Application

Please answer all questions

Name of applicant: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone: (_____) _____ Mobile phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Year of graduation from high school: _____

Full name and address of high school attended:

Full name and address of post-secondary school applicant will attend:

Have you received official notice of acceptance? _____

What course or program will you study? _____

Family information

Parent (circle correct parental status)

Name (first and last): _____ father stepfather legal guardian

Occupation and employer: _____

Name (first and last): _____ mother stepmother legal guardian

Occupation and employer: _____

Number of brothers and sisters: _____ younger: _____ older: _____

Number of siblings currently attending college/technical school: _____

United Cooperative account/customer number (look on monthly statement): _____

Farm/business/name(s) associated with account/customer number:

Financial Information

Do you plan to work during the college school year? _____

If so, state your anticipated earnings: _____

What financial aid have you already received (job opportunity, scholarship or grant, loan, etc.)?

Did you submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? _____

If not, why? _____

Explain to us below how you plan to finance your education.

Education

Items one and two will be completed by a counselor

1. This applicant ranks _____ in a class of _____. (counselor's initials _____)

2. This applicant's grade point average is _____. (counselor's initials _____)

3. List total credits in the following high school subjects:

English _____ Foreign Language _____ Mathematics _____

Science _____ Social Studies _____ Agriculture _____

Art _____ Business Edu. _____ Music _____

Tech Ed _____ Family and Consumer Edu. _____ Other _____

4. In which subjects did you experience your greatest success?

Participation

Please type answers to the following questions on a separate sheet and attach that document to this application. Be sure to read all the questions before you begin. Each individual question should have an answer that is 300 words or less.

1. Write about your school-associated extracurricular activities and the number of years you participated in each.
2. What special awards or honors have you received in the activities listed above?
3. Discuss out-of-school activities in which you have participated (church, youth groups, 4-H, etc.). Include years, awards, etc.
4. Inform us about work at home or other employment you have had during your high school years.

Essay

Answer, at length, the following question: **What are your present plans regarding a career, and what has influenced your thinking in this matter?** In addition to your academic record, this section will be of major importance in evaluating your application. It will be considered on the basis of neatness, sincerity, construction, originality, and depth of thought. Please type your answer on a separate sheet and attach it to this application form.

Confirmation

If awarded a local scholarship, I shall enroll in the school I have indicated. I understand that any contemplated change in my plans must be presented to the selection committee of that scholarship for approval. Such approval must be obtained to enable me to qualify for this award. Amounts listed for scholarships awarded at senior awards night must be claimed in the fall of the same year, unless stated differently in the scholarship's criteria. Winners will relinquish their right to the scholarship if they fail to comply with these requirements.

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____



Agribusiness Scholarship Application Reference

Please give your reference of _____, who has applied for a United Cooperative scholarship. Supply any information which you feel will aid the committee in evaluating the applicant's general merit, character, cooperation, attitude, leadership and/or need. You have the option of attaching a letter to this reference form verses writing below.

Signed _____ Date _____

Address _____

Connection to applicant _____

This completed reference must be returned to the applicant in a sealed and initialed envelope so he or she can submit it with the application by March 1, 2010.