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To whom it concerns:

The Yolo County Farm Bureau's Young Farmers and Ranchers (YF&R) Scholarship is designed to give financial aid to students residing or attending a high school in Yolo County with a desire to start a career in the agriculture industry or an agriculture-related field. Scholarships ranging in amounts from \$500 to \$1,000 will be awarded to graduating seniors from a Yolo County High School. This scholarship is based on scholastic achievement, leadership skills, and agriculture involvement.

Please be sure that all applicants submit their applications on or before May 8, 2017 with all of the necessary paperwork.

Any graduating high school senior residing or attending a high school in Yolo County and entering a two year community college or four year college or university and is majoring in an agriculture based or related field is eligible. The student must be enrolled as a full-time student or enrolled in at least twelve (12) academic units per semester or quarter during the year of the scholarship award. Applicants do not need to be a member of Yolo County Farm Bureau to be eligible.

Application instructions

Fillable, electronic scholarship can be found online at www.yolofarmbureau.org under the tab "About Us," then select "Scholarships." All submissions must be typed.

The scholarship application and all required materials must be submitted by or postmarked on May 8, 2017 to:

Mailing Address

Yolo County Farm Bureau
 Young Farmers and Ranchers
 P.O. Box 1556
 Woodland, CA 95776

Physical Address

Yolo County Farm Bureau
 69 West Kentucky Avenue
 Woodland, CA 95695

Applications and materials not received by or postmarked on May 8, 2017 will not be accepted.

Scholarships will be awarded to students via their school's financial department and will be directly applied to their tuition. Students are responsible for submitting proof of enrollment and student ID numbers as well as addresses to their school's financial department in order to receive scholarship monies.

Interviews may be necessary to determine the scholarship recipient. Finalists will be contacted directly to schedule an interview time and date. If you have any questions regarding the YF&R Scholarship, please contact the Farm Bureau office at (530) 662-6316.

Sincerely,

Gretchen Schauer
 YF&R Secretary



Scholarship Application

The Yolo County Young Farmers and Ranchers committee annually awards scholarships to Yolo County high school seniors or local college students who are pursuing degrees in agriculture and related fields. Since 2010, the Young Farmers and Ranchers has awarded \$15,500 in scholarships through its scholarship program. Scholarship amounts vary each year from \$250-\$1,000.



YF&R Scholarship Application Instructions

***Please read all instructions carefully, incomplete applications will not be considered.**

- 1) Eligible applicants include graduating high school seniors or current college students.
- 2) All applicants must currently reside in Yolo County.
- 3) All applications must be typed. Electronic versions of this application can be found at www.yolofarmbureau.org under the tab "About Us," then select "Scholarships."
- 4) Applications must be postmarked by **May 8, 2017**.
- 5) Applications must be submitted in a sealed envelope and either mailed to the Farm Bureau or dropped off. Emailed applications will not be considered. Address applications to:

Mailing Address:	Physical Address:
Yolo County Farm Bureau Attention: YF&R Scholarship Committee P.O. Box 1556 Woodland, CA 95776	Yolo County Farm Bureau 69 West Kentucky Avenue Woodland, CA 95695

- 6) Applications must include an unofficial transcript from applicant's high school or college.
- 7) All applicants must list participation in school activities, awards and achievements, community involvement, and work experience.
- 8) All applicants must submit two current letters of recommendation. College students need to submit one letter from a college professor and one from a reference outside of their college. Letters must be signed and dated by person providing reference.
- 9) Award preference will be given to first time applicants, applicants showing financial need, and applicants studying agriculture or a related field.
- 10) Late applications will not be considered.
- 11) Successful award recipients will be required to submit official documentation signed by the school's registrar confirming enrollment in college. Scholarship funds will not be released until this information is submitted. Such documentation must include the recipient's student ID number.
- 12) Scholarships will be mailed directly to the college's financial department to be used toward tuition.



Yolo County Farm Bureau Young Farmers & Ranchers

2017 Scholarship Application

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Age: _____

★ **Education Information:** Please provide the name of the educational institution you are currently attending, your current GPA, the date you enrolled, the date you graduated or plan to graduate, and the area of study. If you plan to attend or transfer to a 4-year college or masters program, please provide the name of the institution, your expected enrollment date, and your planned area of study.

School	Name of Educational Institution	GPA	Enrollment Date	Graduation Date	Area of Study
Currently Attending					
Planning to Attend					

★ **Letters of Recommendation:** Applicant must submit two current letters of recommendation signed and dated by the person providing the recommendation. College students must submit one from college faculty and one from outside the college.

★ **Work Experience:** Please list your work experience over the last two years and indicate the dates of employment for each position and approximate hours worked per week.

Position	Employer	Beginning Date	Ending Date	Hours/Week

★ **Extra-Curricular Activities and Community Involvement:** List activities and/or organizations (school and community) that you actively participate in or which you have participated in the recent past.

Activity/Organization	Number of Years	Awards or Honors

★ **Short Answer Questions:** Please answer the following questions and submit with your supporting documents. Limit responses to a maximum of ½ page per question. **Please include your full name in the header of each page.**

All answers must be typed.

1. What are your career aspirations? What factors have influenced your career choice?
2. What steps are you currently taking to achieve your personal and career goals?
3. Please describe how this scholarship will help you to fund your education. Include any information regarding exceptional hardships or obstacles you may have overcome.
4. Describe your most meaningful accomplishments and how they have influenced your selected field of study and/or your future goals.

★ **Supporting Documentation:** Please be sure to submit the following with you application.

- Unofficial transcripts
- Two (2) letters of recommendation