Mendocino CountyFarmBureau
Agriculture Scholarship
Deadline March 15

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

The Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship award is to give aid to students with a desire to start a **career in the agricultural industry or in an ag-related field**. The scholarship award is based on leadership skills, high school or college GPA, extra-curricular activities and "a commitment to study agriculture." You must be enrolled in a trade school, college or university, full time.

When you send your application in, it should be accompanied by the following items:

* **Most Current Official School Transcript**
* **Completed Applicant Essay**
* **Three current letters of recommendation**

If any one of these items is missing from your application packet after March 15, your application **WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.** If, for some reason, any of these items cannot be sent in with your application, but are **POSTMARKED BY MARCH 15,** the items will automatically be included in your application packet for consideration.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE? Any full-time student, who is a resident of Mendocino County entering or attending an accredited trade school, college or university; or enrolled in a Mendocino County Community College; and **majoring in an agricultural related field.**

DO YOU HAVE TO BE A MEMBER OF MENDOCINO COUNTY FARM BUREAU?
NO, you do not.

WHAT CRITERIA IS USED TO SELECT A WINNER? The award is made based on scholastic achievement, career goals, leadership skills, extra curricular activities, need and determination.

WHAT IS THE DEADLINE? All information requested on the application **must be postmarked** on or before **March 15**. We will not process documents after this date.

IS A SCHOLARSHIP RENEWABLE? Past recipients of a Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship award are encouraged to re-apply each year.

Finalists should understand that they will have not more than two weeks advance notice of the interview date.

A group of finalists will be selected for an interview with the Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship Committee. These interviews usually take place in April. Finalists will be notified of the date, time and place of the interview in the notice of selection.

If you have any further questions regarding the Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship, contact the county Farm Bureau at (707) 462-6664.

INSTRUCTIONS:

The scholarship application and all the required material pertaining to it must be completed and on file at the Mendocino County Farm Bureau, 303 - C Talmage Rd., Ukiah, CA 95482 by March 15th. Applications and/or accompanying documents postmarked after March 15 will not be considered. Your most current official school transcript must accompany this application. **Transcripts should be sealed by the school registrar and accompany the application un-opened.**

The three letters of recommendation must contain the following: the name of the applicant, comments on the applicant's character and abilities and an opinion of his/her ability to profit from a college education. (A parent or close relative cannot be considered as a reference.) The name and occupation of each person writing a letter of recommendation is required; each letter of recommendation must be postmarked by March 15. It is recommended that an applicant provide a stamped and addressed envelope to each person writing a recommendation. College students re-applying have to provide current letters of recommendations applicable to the school year.

Please Note: The completeness and quality of the application will be judged along with the oral interview portion.