



San Joaquin Farm Bureau Young Farmers & Ranchers 2017-2018 Scholarship

The San Joaquin Young Farmers & Ranchers will fund a minimum of \$2,500 in scholarships for the 2017-2018 school year. High school and college student applications will be reviewed separately; a minimum of one scholarship will be awarded to a high school student and a minimum of one scholarship will be awarded to a college student. The purpose of this scholarship is not only to reward those who have demonstrated a commitment to agriculture, but also to secure a viable future for the agriculture industry by funding the education of tomorrow's leaders.

Farm Bureau Young Farmers and Ranchers are active agriculturists like you--between the ages of 18 and 35 and involved in production, banking, business, and many other areas of the industry. Young Farmers and Ranchers develop leadership skills while volunteering time as active, vital members of Farm Bureau.

Eligibility and Application Requirements

- Application *and* supporting documents must be postmarked or physically delivered to the San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation office no later than the close of business on Friday, March 17, 2017
Mail / Deliver to: 3290 N. Ad Art Road, Stockton, CA 95215
- Applicants must be entering or attending an accredited junior college or four-year University, enrolled in an undergraduate program and major area of study must be agriculture or related field.
- Do not enclose any material other than the materials that have been requested.
- Print or type legibly.
- Official transcripts must accompany each application.
- Each application packet must be complete and submitted in its own individual envelope.

Selection Criteria

The following will be given consideration when selecting a recipient. However, the criteria are considered cumulatively and should not be regarded as individual requirements.

- Demonstrated qualities: career goals, scholastic achievement, determination to succeed, leadership, desire to obtain a higher education, commitment to agriculture.
- Difficulty and achievement level of academic courses.
- Finalists will be subject to an in person interview; which will take place on Friday, April 14, 2017 at the San Joaquin Farm Bureau office in Stockton, CA.

Presentation of Award / Distribution of Funds

Recipients will be presented a certificate recognizing the award at the San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation's 103rd Annual Meeting scheduled for May 12, 2017.

Upon receipt of a certified document reflecting the recipient's enrollment as a full-time student in an accredited junior college or four-year university, the scholarship will be funded directly to the recipient. This documentation *must* be submitted by the college or university; unofficial copies submitted by the recipient will not be accepted.

Upon selection of this scholarship, the recipient must join the San Joaquin Farm Bureau Federation as a collegiate member at the cost of \$25.00. This membership will provide the recipient with access to the Ag Alert magazine to stay informed on issues facing agriculture throughout California. *Proof of membership will need to be submitted.*

Failure to enroll in a junior college or four-year university in the fall of 2017 may result in forfeiture of the award.



San Joaquin Young Farmers & Ranchers

Application for the year 2017-2018

Submission Deadline: March 17, 2017

Applicant Name

Last	First	Middle

Permanent Address

Address	City, State Zip	Telephone

Student Address (if enrolled in college)

Address	City, State	Zip Code
Telephone	How long will you be there?	E-Mail Address (if applicable)

Applicant Information

Father's Name	Father's Employment
Mother's Name	Mother's Employment

Education (List high school, junior college, and college(s) attended, including present. Do not include single course or class studies, i.e. night school.)

High School	City, State	
Junior College	City, State	Major
College	City, State	Major

Work Experience (List your work experience during the past 4 years. Indicate dates of employment, hours worked each week, total amount earned)

Position	Date From (mm/yy)	Date To (mm/yy)	Hours per Week	Total Amount Earned

Extracurricular Activities (Within school/community during the past four years without pay. Attach additional page if necessary.)

Activity	No. Years Participation	Special Honors/Awards/Positions Held

What junior college or university do you attend or plan to enter?	
City?	When?
Will you be living at home or on campus?	Will you work while attending college?
Major area of study?	For what occupation are you preparing?
My class in September 2017 will be:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior	

Please indicate any unusual family or personal circumstances you feel warrant special attention.

Letters of Recommendation

(You must submit 2 **current** letters of recommendation. Persons writing letters must be over 21 years of age, may not be relatives or guardians of applicant, and who have personal knowledge of the applicant's scholastic achievement, civic activities, or commitment to pursue a career in agriculture.)

Name of Person Submitting Letter	Occupation

Applicant Essay

Attach a one-page essay identifying one key issue facing San Joaquin County agriculture and how young agriculturalists can be involved in the solution.

Signature of Applicant	Date