



OBLIGATIONS

Recipients have no obligation to UFC. They are, however, required to notify Scholarship Management Services of any changes of address, school enrollment, or other relevant information and to send a complete transcript when requested.

REVISIONS


UFC reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the program.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions regarding the scholarship program should be addressed to:

UFC Scholarship Program
Scholarship Management Services
One Scholarship Way
Saint Peter, MN 56082

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THE PROGRAM

United Farmers Cooperative (UFC) has established this scholarship program to recognize and reward the academic achievement, co curricular participation, and community involvement of the children of its patrons and employees. Agriculture and the world are rapidly becoming more complex and sophisticated. With this in mind, an educational base and technical training become important tools to cope and flourish in such an environment. We at UFC encourage each student to remember their heritage as they pursue their studies. It is our hope that these awards assist in developing careers that enhance the future of rural Minnesota.

This scholarship program is administered by Scholarship Management Services, a division of Scholarship America. Scholarship Management Services is the nation's largest designer and manager of scholarship and tuition reimbursement programs for corporations, foundations, associations and individuals. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability, or national origin.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants to the UFC Scholarship program must be:

- Dependent* children of either UFC voting patrons** or full-time employees.
- Students who are seniors in high school or recent high school graduates.

- Planning to enroll for the first time in a full time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two or four year college, university, or vocational-technical school.
- * Dependent children are defined as natural and legally adopted children or stepchildren living in the voting patron's or employee's household or primarily supported by the employee.
- ** Voting patrons are defined as active farmer producers who use products and services in excess of \$5,000 per year.

AWARDS

We have the \$500 Arnie Berdan Memorial Scholarship award which will be given to a full-time employee's child who is majoring in agriculture as long as there is a qualified applicant. Also we offer up to seven (7) \$750 awards each year. Five of these awards will be designated for students of voting patrons and two will be designated for students of full-time employees. These awards are for undergraduate study only and are not renewable.

APPLICATION

Interested students can obtain an application from any UFC branch or their school counselor. Mail the application and a current complete official transcript of grades to Scholarship Management Services post marked no later than April 1st. Grade reports are not acceptable.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information. Applications are evaluated on the information supplied; therefore, answer all questions as completely as possible. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. All information received is considered confidential and is reviewed only by Scholarship Management Services.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, statement of goals and aspirations, unusual personal or family circumstances, and an outside appraisal. Financial need is not considered.

Selection of recipients is made by Scholarship Management Services. In no instance does any officer or employee of UFC play a part in selection. All applicants agree to accept the decision as final.

Applicants will be notified by the end of May. Not all applicants to the program will be selected as recipients.

PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship Management Services processes scholarship payments on behalf of UFC. Payments will be made around August 15th. Checks are mailed to each recipient's home address and are made payable to the school for the student.

