



Scholarship Program Overview

Our Mission and Vision

Our Mission: To provide products, services and solutions to enhance and sustain the profitability of AgVantage FS and our patrons.

Our Vision: To be the best SOLUTIONS PROVIDER through people, products and services.

About AgVantage FS

AgVantage FS is a full-service agriculture and energy supplier headquartered in Waverly, Iowa with locations in north-central and eastern Iowa. We provide agronomic products and services, fuel and lubricant products, grain services and storage, precision farming technology, and full-line finance options and crop insurance coverage.

Objectives

The primary goal of the scholarship program is to encourage area students to prepare for a career in agriculture or agribusiness. This program is designed to provide college financial assistance to dependents of AgVantage FS employees or customers.

Who is Eligible?

To apply for an AgVantage FS Scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a dependent of an AgVantage FS employee or customer.
- Be at least a high school senior or already enrolled in a college and must have maintained a satisfactory grade point of at least 2.5 on a 4 point scale. **Please submit a copy of current transcript.**
- Scholarship recipient may receive an AgVantage FS scholarship once per year.

Scholarship Award

AgVantage FS will offer up to ten (10) \$1,000 scholarships, and one (1) \$1,000 memorial scholarship to full-time area students with an interest in pursuing a career in agriculture or agribusiness related majors. Payments will be made to the college the student enrolls in at the beginning of the fall semester.

How to Apply

Qualified applicants should send application and official transcript to: Raelene Maas, Human Resources Manager, AgVantage FS, PO Box 828, Waverly, IA 50677 or e-mailed to RMaas@growmark.com; **and must be received by January 31, 2018 to be accepted.** Applications are available at www.agvantagefs.com.

Selection of Recipients

The AgVantage FS Board of Directors will review the applications and rank the scholarship recipients. The recipients will be selected according to the following criteria: 1) outstanding leadership potential, 2) academic achievement, and 3) active participation in local or state clubs or community service events that promote agriculture and environmental stewardship. Award winners will be notified by April 1, 2018.



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APPLICANT DATA

Last name, First Name, Middle Initial _____

Street Address, City, State Zip Code _____

County _____ Telephone _____ Birth Date _____

Are you a dependent of an AgVantage FS customer or employee?

Customer's Dependent _____ Yes _____ No

Employee's Dependent _____ Yes _____ No

Name of AgVantage FS customer or employee (applicant, parent, or guardian): _____

What is your current educational status? (specify grade level) _____

HIGH SCHOOL DATA

School Name _____ Graduation Date _____

City _____ State _____

Telephone _____ GPA _____ Class Rank _____

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL DATA

What college will you be attending in the 2018-2019 school year? _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Major or course of study: _____ Anticipated date of graduation: _____

WORK EXPERIENCE

Please describe your work experience over the past four years and indicate dates of employment. (Example- food server, lawn mowing, summer employment at a business, farm, etc. or internship experience)

Employer/Position	From Month/Year	To Month/Year

ACTIVITIES

List all activities, and community service events which you have participated in during the past four years. Additional items may be included on a separate page. (Example-student government, music, sports, Boy or Girl Scouts, volunteer and community involvement)

Activity	Number of Years

GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS

Briefly give a summary of your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and long-term goals.

Please state why you believe you should be an AgVantage FS scholarship recipient:

Please state your viewpoint on why you believe cooperatives are important to the agricultural industry:

The information requested is for the sole purpose of awarding scholarships. No persons outside the coordinating staff, Human Resources, and the AgVantage FS Board of Directors will be provided this information.

I authorize AgVantage FS to release copies of this form and information about my academic record to the committee designated to make the scholarship awards and to publicize the scholarship award if I am a recipient.

_____ **Yes** _____ **No**

(Electronic submission of this application constitutes my authorization as indicated above).