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## **2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

### **DESCRIPTION:**

The Jackson County Farm Bureau Scholarship is awarded each year to one or more outstanding high school seniors, college, or trade school students accepted by or attending a post-secondary educational institution. Scholarships are awarded based on leadership, community activities, GPA, educational and career plans. Preference will be given to those individuals who plan to pursue a career in, or directly related to, the agricultural industry. \$500 will be awarded to the scholarship recipient(s) for the year applied for. Applicants can reapply with a new application for this scholarship for up to 4 years of study moving forward.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. The applicant must be one of the following:
  - a. Regular or Associate Member of Jackson County Farm Bureau
  - b. The son or daughter of a Regular or Associate Member\*
  - c. Active FFA or 4-H member
  - d. Applicants not meeting the above criteria may also be nominated by a Regular member of Jackson County Farm Bureau. A one-page nomination letter, signed by the Regular Member must be attached to the completed application.
2. Applicant must be a full-time student (12 credit hours or equivalent) for fall 2026.
3. Applicants may use the scholarship for attending a college of their choice, including community and trade schools.

\*Regular member is an agriculture affiliated member as defined by the county farm bureau by-laws and approved by the county farm bureau's board of directors. Associate members are defined as a non-agriculture affiliated member. Contact the office for questions (517) 784-9166.

## **REQUISITES:**

1. Completed application.
2. Copy of current high school, college or trade school transcript.
3. Two letters of recommendation from a non-family member. Letters should address your work ethic, leadership skills and community involvement, specifically highlighting your efforts in the agriculture industry (if applicable).
4. Nomination letter of support (if applicable)
5. Headshot photo (Accepted files: tiff, jpeg, png, etc).
  - *Should you be selected for the scholarship, your photo will be used for announcement publications by Jackson County Farm Bureau. By submitting your photo, you agree to allow Jackson County Farm Bureau use of your photo for the recipient announcements such as our news stories, newsletter, and annual meeting program.*

## **SELECTION:**

1. The selection of recipient(s) will be made by a committee chosen by the Board of Directors of Jackson County Farm Bureau.
2. The determination of the appropriate recipient(s) will be based upon:
  - Completion of all the requisites and application.
  - Submission of the requisites and application by March 20, 2026.
  - A review of the applicant's academic achievements, career goals, and character.
  - Finalists may be required to attend a personal interview.

## **DISBURSEMENT:**

1. Recipient(s) will be notified by May 1, 2026, by phone and/or email.
2. Payments will be made payable to the recipient(s) of the scholarship by June 1, 2026.
3. Recipient(s) are encouraged, but not required, to attend the 2026 Jackson County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting (tentatively scheduled for) Saturday, September 19, 2026, to be recognized.
4. Recipient(s) will receive a one-year paid membership for Jackson County Farm Bureau. Note: If recipient(s) have not yet reached age 18, a membership will be awarded at the time of their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.



# Jackson County Farm Bureau 2026 Scholarship

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## Basic Information:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

College/Trade School Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

How many years have you resided in Jackson County? \_\_\_\_\_

## Qualifications:

Do you or your parents have an active Farm Bureau Membership? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please enter your parent's names \_\_\_\_\_

If no, please enter the name of the nominating farm bureau member

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How many years have you been involved in agriculture? \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, please enter the name of the FFA Chapter or 4H Club

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What post-secondary school, or trade school, do you plan to attend?

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What is your intended course of study? \_\_\_\_\_

## Application Questions:

Why do you believe you should receive this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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Explain your future career plans and goals: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please be sure your completed application includes:

- Completed application
- Copy of current transcript
- Two letters of recommendation
- Nomination letter (if applicable, see qualifications)
- Headshot photo (Accepted files: tiff, jpeg, png, etc).
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## **All completed application packets must be received no later than March 20, 2026.**

Please choose one of the options below to submit your scholarship application packet:

**Email:**

[jacksoncounty@ctyfb.com](mailto:jacksoncounty@ctyfb.com)

**US Mail/Drop-off:**

Jackson County Farm Bureau  
1341 W Parnall Road  
Jackson, MI 49201

Please watch your email for a confirmation that we have received your packet. Please allow sufficient time should you mail your application.