

**AGSTAR★FUND
FOR RURAL AMERICA**

**Scholarship Program
Application**

P.O. Box 4249 • Mankato, MN 56002-4249 • (507) 345-5656 • agstar.com

Qualifications

AgStar Financial Services, ACA will help ensure a strong future for the agricultural industry by awarding scholarships to high school students pursuing ag-related degrees or with an ag or rural background. Applicant qualifications are: (1) resident of one of these counties: **Minnesota Counties:** Aitkin, Anoka, Benton, Blue Earth, Brown, Carlton, Carver, Cass, Chisago, Cook, Cottonwood, Crow Wing, Dakota, Dodge, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Goodhue, Hennepin, Houston, Itasca, Isanti, Jackson, Kanabec, Lake, Le Sueur, McLeod, Martin, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Olmsted, Pine, Pipestone, Ramsey, Rice, Rock, St. Louis, Scott, Sherburne, Sibley, Stearns, Steele, Todd, Wabasha, Waseca, Washington, Watonwan, Winona, or Wright, **Wisconsin Counties:** Ashland, Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Chippewa, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Iron, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Rusk, St. Croix, Sawyer, or Washburn. (2) a graduating high school senior who will enroll in college or a technical school this fall, (3) possess a GPA of 3.0 or better, (4) a designated major or interest in an ag-related field or (5) Ag or Rural Background

Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, leadership characteristics, and ag-related community involvement. Scholarships will be awarded to an individual only one time. Special consideration will be given to those students of parents who do business with AgStar. *Immediate family members of AgStar employees or Board Members are not eligible.*

Application Deadline: April 1st Postmark

Personal Data

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE INITIAL	DATE OF BIRTH
ADDRESS: Street, P.O. Box, City, State, Zip			AREA CODE/PHONE NUMBER
NAME OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S)			OCCUPATION OF MOTHER
COUNTY OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE			OCCUPATION OF FATHER

Education

COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:	CITY	STATE
WHAT DO YOU PLAN AS YOUR MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY:		
BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR CAREER GOALS:		
BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR AG / RURAL BACKGROUND:		

Extracurricular Activities / Community Involvement

BRIEFLY LIST YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS AND EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN HIGH SCHOOL (Such as 4-H, student government, sports, musicals, scholastic programs, student publications, church, etc.):

BRIEFLY LIST ANY SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY HONORS RECEIVED:

HAVE YOU WORKED WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL: YES NO

IF YES, TYPE OF WORK PERFORMED: _____

Vision of Agriculture

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF AGRICULTURE:

WHAT AG-RELATED LEADERSHIP HAVE YOU DEMONSTRATED:

References

Please include three individual letters (other than relatives) and your high school grade transcript (converted to a 4.0 scale) with this application and mail to:

**Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 4249
Mankato, MN 56002-4249**

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

To be Completed by High School Principal or Counselor

NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN GRADUATING CLASS:

APPLICANT'S RANK IN CLASS:

GIVE SCORES FOR THE FOLLOWING:

ACT: SAT: OTHER:

EVALUATE APPLICANT ON SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE, VOCATIONAL PROMISE, ACHIEVEMENT, INTEGRITY, AND LEADERSHIP ABILITIES:

HIGH SCHOOL: _____ SIGNATURE OF PRINCIPAL OR COUNSELOR: _____

AgStar Financial Services, ACA is committed to providing persons with equal access to its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, handicap, age, veteran status, or sexual orientation.

**Twenty (20) \$1,000 scholarships
will be awarded.**

Permission granted to photocopy application



**Application Deadline is
April 1st postmark**