

2025 Jefferson County Agri-Business Club
COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FACT SHEET
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The Jefferson County Agri-Business Club's membership has approved awarding scholarships for the 2025-26 school year.

Applicant's Qualifications:

- Resident of Jefferson County, WI, or a student enrolled in a Jefferson County, WI school district, or a current member of a Jefferson County, WI 4-H Club or FFA Chapter.
- Involvement in agricultural youth programs.
- High school senior planning to attend a 2-year college/technical school or a 4-year college, majoring in an agricultural or ag-related program as a full-time student. Also eligible are college students currently enrolled in a 2- or 4-year agricultural program and planning to continue enrollment in an agricultural program next year.
- Recipients will be asked to volunteer a minimum of five hours at the Jefferson Co Fair Agri-Business Food tent between July 9 and 13, 2025. If you are unable to work, a family member or friend can work in your place.

Application Instructions and Required Material

1. Download application at www.jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com. Click the scholarship tab and link.
You may also request the application by emailing scholarships@jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com.
2. Application should be typed with all questions answered with well-thought-out responses and correct grammar
3. Sign and date application
4. Must include a recent letter of recommendation (from an individual not related to applicant)
5. Must include most recent school transcript (high school or college)
6. Completed scholarship application, transcripts, and letter of recommendation emailed (preferred) to scholarships@jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com or mailed to Jefferson Co Agri-Business, P.O. Box 64, Jefferson, WI 53549.
7. Application deadline: **February 1, 2025**. Emailed or postmarked by this date.

Scholarship Judging Criteria

- Plans for a career in an agricultural field
- Understanding of agriculture and current trends as discussed in essay questions
- Academic record
- 4-H activities and leadership roles
- FFA activities and leadership roles
- High school/college activities (clubs, athletics, leadership)
- Community (church, service) activities and leadership roles
- Involvement in Agri-Business activities (4th grade farm tour, fair food stand, holiday meat and cheese sales)
- Employment or work experience during non-school hours
- Financial Need
- Letter of recommendation (from an individual not related to applicant)

Selection Process:

Selection of recipients is done by the Jefferson County Agri-Business Club Scholarship Committee and approved by the club membership at the February 2025 monthly meeting. Recipients will be recognized at the club's April 2025 meeting.

Scholarship funds will be dispersed after volunteer hours have been met and after proof of successful completion of first semester classes, indicating you are a student in good standing with a GPA of at least 2.0. Documentation to be sent to Jefferson County Agri-Business Club, P.O. Box 264, Jefferson, WI 53549 or emailed to scholarships@jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com. The request for scholarship funds must be received by May 31, 2026. Please indicate to whom the check should be made out and where to send it.

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*****Add additional spaces/pages if amount of space below is not enough for your answer*****

PERSONAL INFORMATION (required)

Name: _____

Full Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail address _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Parent's Full Mailing Address (if the address stated above is not also a parent's home address) _____

Parent's Phone: _____

Years in 4-H: _____. Name of Club: _____ Projects carried: _____

Semesters of H.S. Ag Classes: _____ Name of FFA Chapter: _____ Number of years in FFA _____

FUTURE EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER PLANS:

Name of College attending or planning to attend in Fall of 2025:

Major Field(s) of Study: _____

Career Plans/Future Career (Job) path and Why?

ACADEMIC RECORD High school and, if applicable, college.

High School Attended: _____ Number of Students in High School Class: _____

G.P.A. _____ Class Rank: _____

College/Postsecondary School Attended: _____ Level (Fr, So): _____

Major: _____ G.P.A. _____

FINANCIAL PLANNING AND CONSIDERATIONS: Estimate your annual college expenses:

<i>Tuition and fees</i>	\$ _____	<i>Room and Board</i>	\$ _____
<i>Books and Supplies</i>	\$ _____	<i>Commuting Cost</i>	\$ _____
<i>Other Expenses</i>	\$ _____	<i>Total</i>	\$ _____

Source of this financial info: _____

Number and ages of siblings in family home: Brothers: _____ Sisters _____

Number of siblings attending college next year (including you) _____

Briefly describe how you are planning to pay for your college education (i.e. portions from savings, scholarships, loans, working etc.)

Please share any financial concerns, circumstances, or needs that you would like the committee to take into consideration

INVOLVEMENT IN JEFFERSON AGRIBUSINESS CLUB FUNCTIONS:

Is anyone in your family a member of Jefferson County Agri-Business Club _____ If yes, name _____

Provide your volunteer activities and years with the Jefferson County Agri-Business Club (Fair Food Stand, Cheese sale, 4th Grade Farm Tour, etc.) Explain what you did, how many hours, and your responsibilities.

FFA ACTIVITIES and LEADERSHIP ROLES:

Describe your Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE) projects in FFA.

List FFA activities and leadership roles and indicate years of participation in each activity. (limit to 10)

List awards and recognitions received in FFA. (limit to 10)

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4-H AND OTHER YOUTH ORGANIZATION ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP ROLES:

List activities and leadership and indicate years of participation in each activity. (limit to 10)

List awards and recognitions received in 4-H.

HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES and LEADERSHIP ROLES:

List other high school activities (sports, clubs) and indicate years of participation in each activity. (limit to 10)

List other high school special awards and recognitions. (limit to 10)

COLLEGE ACTIVITIES and LEADERSHIP ROLES: *(if applicable)*

List college activities (sports, clubs) and years of participation in each; List college special awards and recognitions.

COMMUNITY/CHURCH ACTIVITIES and LEADERSHIP ROLES:

List community/church activities and years involved. Could also include community athletics, breed association membership, etc.

List any awards or recognitions received for involvement in community/church activities. (limit to 10)

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EMPLOYMENT OR WORK INVOLVEMENT: *List employment or farm work involvement. Include farm / employer's name, when employed, your job responsibilities/activities and average. # of hours/per week.*

ESSAY QUESTIONS: *Add spaces/pages if current amount is not enough.*

1. *What is the single greatest challenge you have faced, so far, in your agricultural involvement, and what have you learned from it?*

2. What are some of the main trends and challenges currently facing agriculture and/or agribusiness?

I certify that the information presented in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Scan and or attach to an email the completed scholarship application, transcripts, and letter of recommendation and send to: scholarships@jeffersoncountyagribusinessclub.com Or mail to: Jefferson County Agri-Business Club, P.O. Box 64, Jefferson, WI 53549