**2020 Vigo County Farm Bureau Scholarship**

**Purpose:** The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance for a student to further their education. The scholarship(s) is awarded based upon various criteria that reflect the values and purposes of Vigo County Farm Bureau to promote and advocate for agricultural and rural needs. Please provide sufficient details and information about your qualifications to give the judges a clear picture of your future plans.

**Application Process:** An application form must be completed by the student applying for assistance. The application must include required signatures and submitted to the Vigo County Farm Bureau office at 4803 S. 7th St. Terre Haute, IN 47802 or via email at brandy.ray@infarmbureau.com. The application must also include [documents as requested by county]. A non-biased external committee will review all applications and approve funds based on [criteria stated on evaluation rubric].
***\*Application must be typed in order to be eligible for the award. Handwritten applications will not be considered.***

**Award Amount:** Vigo County Farm Bureau will award up to 3 scholarships of $1000.00 to students.

**Qualifications:** Applicants should have a parent or guardian with Vigo County INFB membership for at least 1-2 years, and be a senior in high school.

**Deadline:** All applications are due to the office by **4:30 p.m.** (EST) March 1. Winners will be announced by the end of the school year. *OPTIONAL: Winners are asked to attend the county annual meeting to be recognized. Winners will be announced on social media.*

**Follow Up:** Scholarship awards are not renewable. *OPTIONS: Winner will receive funds upon completion of one term of study. Proof of satisfactory completion of at least one term must be provided. Funds will be sent directly to school.*

Students may also be eligible for other state or district Farm Bureau Scholarships, including the Marion Stackhouse, Carol Hegel Memorial Scholarship, or Collegiate Farm Bureau Scholarships.
Due March 1, 2020. Apply directly online at <https://www.infarmbureau.org/resources/grants-and-scholarships>

**Vigo County Farm Bureau Scholarship Application**

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| **Applicant’s Contact Information** |
| Name: |  | Birthdate: |  |
| Email: |  | Phone: |  |
| Address: |  | City: |  |
| State: | Indiana | Zip code: |  |
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| **Educational Institution** |
| Current school attending: (ex. High school, college, etc.) |  |
| City: |  | Date of high school senior awards night: |  |
| Name of academic advisor / school counselor: |  |
| Advisor / counselor email address: |  |
| Advisor / counselor phone number: |  | School hours: |  |
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| **Farm Bureau Membership** |
| Membership number of qualifying parent or legal guardian of applicant: |  |
| Name of membership holder: |  |
| Applicant’s relationship to member: |  |
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| How did you hear about this scholarship?  |  |
| Signature of applicant: |  |

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| **For internal office use only:** |
| Applicant number assigned by County Farm Bureau Scholarship Coordinator: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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| **Academic Experience** |
| Intended post-secondary education institution: |  |
| Current GPA: |  | out of |  | Class rank (if applicable) |  | out of |  |
| Intended course of study: |  |
| What degree level are you seeking? (ex: associate, bachelors) |  |
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| **Employment Experience:** (limit 150 words each, up to 3 different employment experiences) |
| 1. Include name of employer(s), title (if applicable), length of service, average hours worked per week, brief description of duties
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| **Awards & Honors** (limit 10 most significant received. Do not include awards received prior to high school) |
|  Name of Award Awarding Organization Year Received  |
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| **Please describe your personal background, your goals, why you are seeking this award and what obstacles you have had to overcome.** (limit 350 words). |
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| **Please describe your desired career path and provide two reasons why you chose this career.** (Limit 350 words) |
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| **Agricultural-based extracurricular and leadership experience** (limit 10) |
| *Include 4-H, FFA, Farm Bureau membership and office positions, not awards.* |
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| **Community or school-based extracurricular and leadership experience** (limit 10) |
| *Include: Church, school clubs (not FFA), Scouts, sports, etc.*  |
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**Essay -**

***The mission of Indiana Farm Bureau is to promote agriculture through public education, member engagement, and by advocating for agricultural and rural needs. What is one of the most important issues facing the future of farming and agriculture and how do you believe it will affect the industry?*** (Limit 500 words)