

Texas Farm Bureau Young Farmer & Rancher for Enrolled College Students Requirements & Award Criteria

Applications must be submitted on-line on or before 11:59 PM, March 2, 2026

Scholarship awards will be announced by the beginning of June 2026

Three (3) Texas Farm Bureau Young Farmer & Rancher for Enrolled College Students Scholarships will be awarded, valued at \$2,500 each

These scholarships will be paid in two disbursements to your university, one-half (1/2) each semester, subject to the scholar's continued compliance with the maintenance criteria set forth herein.

Eligibility requirements

***Previous winners of the TFB Young Farmer & Rancher for Enrolled College Students Scholarship are not eligible to apply**

Applicants must:

- ☐ Complete all questions
- ☐ Be a member in good standing of Texas Farm Bureau (*Note - Texas Farm Bureau Membership is a family membership. If listed as a dependent or spouse on the membership, dependents or spouses of Texas Farm Bureau members in good standing are considered to be members (for dependents, only up to age 25). Texas Farm Bureau's membership requirements will apply and govern any determination of membership.*)
- ☐ Completed 30 hours of college credit (at the time of application)
- ☐ Be an undergraduate student at an accredited college, university, or post-secondary technical school
- ☐ Have a GPA of at least 2.5
- ☐ Demonstrate intent to pursue a career in agriculture
- ☐ List all sources of tuition funding including scholarships (submitted or received), grants, loans, personal funds, family funds, and any other financial assistance
- ☐ List major agriculture leadership activities & honors
- ☐ List other leadership activities & honors
- ☐ Upload a copy of the applicant's accredited college, university, or post-secondary trade school transcript
- ☐ Upload their major's degree plan
- ☐ Upload two letters of recommendation

Award criteria

- TFB Young Farmer & Rancher (YF&R) scholarships are judged at-large.
- All TFB Young Farmer & Rancher (YF&R) scholarships are judged by the TFB (YF&R) Advisory Committee. These individuals are appointed by the TFB President to serve in an advisory role for up to three (3) one (1) year terms. The YF&R Advisory Committee members do not judge applicant pools for the TFB district they reside in.
- The TFB YF&R Advisory Committee uses a judging rubric to judge each applicant. A numerical score and rank are given to each applicant by the three (3) YF&R Advisory Committee members judging their application. The sum of the ranks given to each applicant by three (3) YF&R Advisory Committee members determines the applicant's final ranking in the process.
- The top three (3) ranking applicants, at-large, will receive the YF&R Scholarship for Enrolled College Students (valued at \$2,500).
- The judges may give preference to applicants who, among other criteria, demonstrate involvement in Texas Farm Bureau and/or county Farm Bureau activities, demonstrate significant involvement in extracurricular activities, and/or demonstrate a high GPA.

Maintenance criteria

- To receive any disbursements, scholars must at all times continue to meet the following criteria:
 - Texas Farm Bureau membership in good standing
 - A status of good standing as defined by their university
- Prior to receiving the first disbursement, the scholar must provide:
 - Proof of enrollment for the upcoming semester
 - Executed Scholarship Certificate
- Prior to receiving the subsequent disbursements, the scholar must:
 - Provide proof of enrollment for the upcoming semester

Disclosure: In the review of applications for the above scholarships, certain software or other technologies may be utilized, which may include but not be limited to artificial intelligence. All final decisions on scholarship awards will be made by judges utilizing the criteria and the process, in each case, set forth herein.