## Carroll County Farm Bureau

## **2025 Scholarship Application**

Deadline July 1, 2025

# The Carroll County Farm Bureau will be offering up to \$3,600 in scholarships. Two (2) – three (3) scholarships will be awarded depending on the number of qualified applicants.

Applicants must be high school seniors starting college in the Fall of 2025 OR current full-time college students at any community college, technical school, two-year institution, or four-year institution.

Two (2) of the scholarships may be offered to agricultural curriculum majors and one scholarship may be offered to either a non-agricultural or an agricultural curriculum major.

Selection will be made by a committee designated by the Carroll County Farm Bureau Board of Directors. The selection committee will evaluate each application anonymously.

#### No student can receive this scholarship more than two (2) times.

#### Application Criteria:

- 1. Applicants or their parents/guardians MUST be members in good standing with Carroll County Farm Bureau as of June 1, 2025.
- 2. Applicants must submit a completed application form by the deadline given.
- 3. Applicants must provide a current transcript.
- 4. Applicants must provide a resume including community service projects and hours and after school extra-curricular activities.
- 5. Applicants must submit an essay answering the essay question, typed and under the guidelines highlighted below.
- 6. Applicants must provide at least one or up to 3 reference letter(s) from a person(s) not related to them.
- 7. Applicants must provide a current photo (Example: A senior picture)

#### (If ONE or more of the above listed criteria is NOT met the application will be disqualified)

#### **Essay Question:**

"The landscape of American agriculture and the picture of the "typical" American farm continues to change. Meanwhile, Farm Bureau will need to continue to recruit and retain members in order to be a vibrant and effective organization into the future. How can the Carroll County Farm Bureau continue to provide value and opportunity to welcome members from across the broad diversity of modern agriculture and American farmers and ranchers?"

The essay should be typed using 12-point font size, Times New Roman, double spaced, with 1 inch margins, and not exceed three pages.

The Carroll County Farm Bureau office MUST receive applications NO LATER than July 1, 2025 via mail or email to ccmdfarmbureau@gmail.com. If mailing in the completed application, they must be postmarked by June 28, 2025.

Scholarships will be awarded to winning applicants prior to the beginning of the fall semester. Winners will be notified in July at least one week prior to the Carroll County Farm Bureau Ag Ambassador Contest. The recipients will then be announced at the CCFB Ag Ambassador Program, date still to be determined, and presented their scholarship at that time. Please make arrangements to attend. If you cannot, please notify the Carroll County Farm Bureau Secretary at 410-857-5503 at your earliest convenience that you will need to make other arrangements to collect your scholarship certificate.

The committee reserves the right to interview scholarship applicants if they feel it is necessary to determine the winning recipients.

The provided references may be contacted as the judging committee feels necessary to determine the winning recipients.

Direct completed applications to Carroll County Farm Bureau, Attn: Elizabeth Devilbiss, P.O. Box 547, New Windsor, Maryland 21776.

OR

Completed Applications may be scanned and emailed to the Carroll County Farm Bureau Secretary, Ashley Barber at ccmdfarmbureau@gmail.com. Applicants have until 11:59 p.m. on July 1, 2025 to send in completed applications via email.

Any applications received after the designated time will NOT be eligible.

Any questions please contact Ashley Barber at <u>ccmdfarmbureau@gmail.com</u> or call or text 410-857-5503.

Please be aware that pictures provided by applicants will be used to recognize the scholarship winners at future Carroll County Farm Bureau Events, in newsletters and on the Carroll County Farm Bureau Facebook Page. By sending in your completed application you are agreeing to these terms.

Checks will be mailed directly to the applicant.

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### **PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

Name:			
Home Address:			
City, State, Zip:			
Home Phone:	Cell:		
College or Trade School Phone:		Fax:	
Date of Birth:	Farm Bureau Membership #:		
Parent or Guardian Name(s):			
High School(s) Attended:			
Date of Graduation:		_ High School GPA:	
Name of College or Trade School:			
College or Trade School Billing A	ddress:		
City, State, Zip:			
Student ID #:	Year in College:	Current GPA:	
Major(s) and Minor(s):			
How can/will your education contr	ribute to the Agricultural in	dustry?	

REFERENCES:		
Please list three references below:		
#1		
Name:		
Relation to Applicant:	Phone:	
Email:		
#2		
Name:		
Relation to Applicant:	Phone:	
Email:		
#3		
Name:		
Relation to Applicant:	Phone:	
Email:		

Please attach your most recent transcript, essay and resume including community service hours and extracurricular activities.