



**Southwest  
Grain**

January 20, 2026

**TO:** Guidance Counselor/Financial Aid Advisor

**FROM:** Tonya Yorgensen

**RE:** Southwest Grain Scholarship Applications

Southwest Grain is committed to investing in the future of rural America. This year, once again, we will be offering eight \$1000 scholarships to qualifying students pursuing an agriculturally related career or profession that contributes to benefiting our rural communities.

Enclosed are copies of our scholarship application. Please help us make this application available to all who inquire or are interested in our program. Additional applications are available on our website, [www.swgrain.com](http://www.swgrain.com).

Application deadline is March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Call me at 701-483-6212 or email me at [tonya.yorgensen@chsinc.com](mailto:tonya.yorgensen@chsinc.com) with any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation.



# **2026 Scholarship Application**

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**Application Deadline is March 13, 2026**

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**Description:**

Eight \$1000.00 scholarships will be awarded to qualified applicants based on scholastic achievement, leadership in agriculture and a perceived ability to contribute to agriculture in the future. Applicants must be pursuing careers in a profession that contributes to benefiting rural communities. Please include a current photo with application.

**PLEASE COMPLETE:**

Name – Last, First, Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address – Street, P.O. Box

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Father/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Parent/Guardian – If different than yours \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Telephone Number

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High School, College or University you now attend

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College or University planning to attend with this scholarship (Include Address, City, State and Zip Code)

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## Southwest Grain Scholarship Application

(Please attach additional sheets if necessary to answer any question.)

You have chosen a College or University that you wish to attend: Why have you chosen this specific institution?

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What major are you planning to study? How does it relate to your future goals? If you are undecided, what factors will you consider when choosing a major?

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Please state how your family is involved in agriculture.

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Describe any ag-related or leadership programs or projects you have been involved in high school or elsewhere.

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Please list and explain any special interests, hobbies and non-academic school activities.

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List funds and/or financial aid available to you from any source.

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How do you plan to use your education for the benefit of rural America?

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Where do you see your life in ten (10) years?

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## **ESSAY**

On a separate piece of paper, in 500 – 600 words, please explain how your family is involved with cooperatives (or a cooperative) and what cooperatives have meant to you and your family. Also, if you could change one thing in agriculture today, what would it be and why?

## ACADEMIC STATUS VERIFICATION

To be completed by a school official or copy of transcript must be included. Please (X) one.

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of transcript enclosed

**OR**

\_\_\_\_\_ Official's signature and title \_\_\_\_\_

Your accumulated grade point average \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

To the best of my knowledge, the material contained in this application is true and complete.

If I am selected as a recipient of this scholarship, I give my consent to SWG to disclose my name and photograph for use in press releases, social media and other communications promoting Southwest Grain's Scholarship Program.

**\*\*Please Include a current photograph with this application.  
Points will be deducted if no picture is submitted.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Application deadline is March 13, 2026.  
Only scholarship winners will be notified by  
May.**