Livingston County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarships

**The objective of the Livingston County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship program is to provide scholarships to high school and college students who plan to major in agriculture, agribusiness, or an ag-related course of study. Criteria includes: scholastic ability, service/activities of the applicant in school, church, community and financial need.  Exemplary community service may be recognized.**

**Ethel K. Hoerner Scholarship:** This is in memory of Ethel K. Hoerner. The LCFB Foundation was the recipient of a portion of the Ethel K. Hoerner Estate. Ethel gave this wonderful gift which will enable us to move towards our goals of providing agriculture scholarships to students in Livingston County. These scholarships will be up to $2,000.

HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

1. The applicant must be a member or a dependent of a member in good standing with Livingston County Farm Bureau.
2. To be eligible for a Foundation Scholarship, applicant/parents must be a resident of Livingston County, the student attends a Livingston County High School and a United States citizen.
3. **Applicants must demonstrate a strong interest and intention of entering a career in agriculture.**
4. The applicant must be a High School Senior, a candidate for graduation from High School, and have applied for enrollment at an accredited college, university, or community college or *ag-related trade school.*
5. Selection will be based on a composite grade of academics, school involvement, church and community activities, community and industry service, and financial need.
6. Qualified students must complete an application and email with transcripts and recommendation letters to livcfbmgr@gmail.com no later than **4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 8, 2024**.
7. The applicant's character, reputation and personal life, as evidenced by references, or by inquiry, will be of high quality, reflecting a high likelihood of success in their academic pursuits
8. Additional criteria that will be judged are additional academic honors and awards, rank in class, and test scores (ACT/SAT).
9. Applicants must have a minimum of two letters of recommendation submitted from individuals not related to the applicant.
10. Applicants must submit the most current available transcript from your high school.

**TO RECEIVE YOUR AWARD:**

1. **New this year for Scholarships awarded in the Spring 2024.** There will be 2 (two) mailings. Please send current 2024 fall semester transcripts (email or USPS) to Livingston County Farm Bureau, P.O. Box 410, Pontiac, IL 61764 or email to livcfb@gmail.com. The first deadline is January 1, 2025 for the January 5th check mailing. (*Transcripts do not have to be official*). Any transcript received after the first deadline will be mailed March 1st. Transcripts must be received by March 1st or award will be forfeited.
2. In order to receive your award at the end of the first semester, applicants must maintain a minimum of 2.0 cumulative GPA.
3. There will be only 1 (one) reminder notice sent from the Livingston County Farm Bureau Office.

Applications will be reviewed by the Farm Bureau Foundation Selection Committee which will make final selections.

If you have any questions, please contact the Livingston County Farm Bureau office (815) 842-1103.