

National Farmers

November 21, 2019



Dear Wisconsin guidance counselor:

The National Farmers Organization (NFO) is sponsoring their annual Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Memorial Scholarship and Farm Kids for College Scholarship for Wisconsin high school seniors interested in pursuing an education in agriculture. Applicants will automatically be eligible to win both scholarships by completing one application.

Agriculture majors could include:

Agronomy, ag business management, ag chemical engineering, ag education or extension, ag engineering, ag journalism, biochemistry, dairy sciences, entomology, food sciences, genetics, home economics, livestock or poultry sciences, natural resources or water resources management, nutrition, pre-veterinary medicine, rural planning and sociology, soil sciences, or a host of other disciplines that impact modern agriculture and rural life.

The scholarship application and essays are due to the Wisconsin NFO office by February 25, 2020. The scholarship committee will announce their winners by April 7, 2020. The mailing address is National Farmers, PO Box 460, Spring Green, WI 53588.

Enclosed please find a 2020 application for the Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Memorial Scholarship and Farm Kids for College Scholarship. Please make copies and distribute to any eligible students. Share this information with your school's Ag instructor, FFA advisor and science teachers.

You can learn more about National Farmers through our web site at www.nationalfarmers.com, and become a National Farmers fan on Facebook. If you or your students have any questions regarding either of the scholarships please contact me at (608) 643-3341 or jdilley@nfo.org.

Jennifer Dilley
Scholarship Coordinator

National Farmers

November 20, 2019

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Memorial Scholarship and National Farmers Farm Kids for College Scholarship programs. Enclosed are the materials you need to apply for the scholarships. You will automatically be eligible to win both scholarships by completing the one application. Please take a minute to review all items carefully.

When you have completed the requirements for the scholarships, please submit everything to the Wisconsin NFO office by February 25, 2020. The scholarship winners will be announced by April 7, 2020. The mailing address is National Farmers, PO Box 460, Spring Green, WI 53588.

The first place winner of the Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Scholarship winner will receive \$1000 and advance to the national competition for the Farm Kids for College Scholarship. The Farm Kids for College Scholarship awards three \$1,000 scholarships in 2019, honoring important leaders in National Farmers Organization history.

If you have any questions please call me at (608) 643-3341 or e-mail jdilley@nfo.org.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Dilley

Scholarship Coordinator

National Farmers Organization

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Scholarships

To Qualify –

To be eligible for the scholarships you must:

- Be a high school senior in the U.S.
- Major in an agricultural field at an accredited college or university

In addition to the two-page application, please send:

- Typed essays, listed below
- Two letters of reference
- Official high school transcript, and official GPA
- Official ACT or SAT score
- A recent photo for use in future scholarship promotions, member publications, social media and on our web site, www.nationalfarmers.com. (It will only be used if you earn a scholarship. Photos will not be returned.)

The Essays –

The essays give our judges a picture of your understanding of complex topics in agriculture. With that in mind, please be sure to answer the questions thoroughly and to the best of your ability. Feel free to interview individuals knowledgeable in the agriculture industry, specifically in ag marketing and risk management, and use agriculture publications as sources.

1. How can marketing production with other farmers and ranchers improve prices for grain, dairy and livestock?

2. Choose one strategy: Niche marketing, price risk management or price negotiation. Discuss and give examples of how that strategy can increase financial rewards on an independent farm.

(Total for both questions: 850 words minimum, 1,200 words maximum)

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Now here's what you do:

- Complete the application and essays
- Request References letters from teachers, activity sponsors, employers, coaches, pastors or others. Give them adequate time and politely check in with them to see if it's been done in advance of the deadline.
- Arrange for official transcripts and GPA to be sent (Reference letters, transcripts and GPA information may also be sent with your completed application and essays, but in a separate, sealed envelope or envelopes). Please have social security numbers REMOVED.
- Submit your application and accompanying materials to National Farmers, PO 460, Spring Green, WI 53588, Attn: Jennifer. **Materials must be postmarked by February 25, 2020.**
- Wait for announcement of winners by April 7, 2020. We'll contact you if you received a Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Memorial Scholarship or National Farm Kids for College Scholarship!
- You will automatically be eligible to win both scholarships by completing the one application. The Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Scholarship first place winner will advance on to the national competition.

The Steve Pavich and Frank Pries Memorial Scholarship Winners Receive

First Place
\$1,000

Second Place
\$1,000

Farm Kids for College Scholarship Winners Receive

*Based upon competitive selection, three
national scholarship winners be announced.*

All three winners will receive \$1000 each.

\$1,000

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2020 Farm Kids for College Scholarship
2019 winners

Application

Part 1

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Your E-mail: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names: _____

Parents'/Guardians' Telephone/Mobile Numbers: _____

Parents' E-mails: _____

High School Name and Address: _____

Guidance Counselor: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Your Graduation date: _____ High school telephone number: _____

Your planned major: _____

Where you plan to attend college: _____

Your plans for the future and how you will use your degree: _____

Name, address, e-mail and phone number of local newspaper: _____

Name, address, e-mail and phone number of local radio station: _____

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Application

Part 1

Farm Kids *for* College Scholarship

Name: _____

Explain how you are involved in agriculture: _____

High school activities and honors (including year participated and offices):

Community activities and honors (including year participated and offices):
