Announcing the 2016 Farm Credit of Northwest Florida: AgVOCATOR™ Scholarship

Farm Credit of Northwest Florida is offering six $1,500 scholarships to high school seniors within its chartered territory. Two students in each region (list below) will receive a scholarship. Preference will be given to students pursuing a career in Agriculture, Forestry or Horticulture.

Farm Credit of Northwest Florida is a member-owned financial cooperative headquartered in Marianna, Florida. Serving 18 counties throughout the Florida Panhandle, Farm Credit offers highly competitive credit to meet the financing needs of farmers, agribusinesses, and rural landowners and homeowners. At Farm Credit, we are AgVOCATORS, meaning that we actively support the well-being of agriculture and rural America. Every day, we are Helping Rural America Grow®, not only food and fibers, but also stronger rural communities. Our desire, through these scholarships, is to encourage new AgVOCATORS to use their talents to create better communities where they live.

Guidelines and Eligibility:

Scholarships are awarded to applicants based on academic aptitude, vocational promise, personal attributes, and leadership qualities. Additionally, applicants must:

• Be a high school senior planning on attending college and in good academic standing
• Complete a scholarship application.
• Provide an official copy of their transcript; a resume of work history, activities, honors, and volunteer efforts; an essay on how the applicant plans to use their major in his or her chosen career path; and a signed letter of recommendation with the application.
• Live within the Association’s chartered territory of the following Florida counties:
  Eastern Region (Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla)
  Central Region (Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson and Washington)
  Western Region (Escambia, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa and Walton)
• Family of employees and directors of Farm Credit of Northwest Florida are not eligible.
• The scholarship is open to private, public and home school students.

To be considered for the 2016 Farm Credit of Northwest Florida Scholarship, a completed application (including all requested information and required signatures) must be received on or before February 15, 2016. Mail completed application and supporting materials to:

Farm Credit of Northwest Florida Scholarship Program
3323 Thomasville Road
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Application may be downloaded from the Farm Credit of Northwest Florida website:
AgVOCATOR Scholarship Application

Name _________________________________________   County ___________________________

Age _______   Date of Birth _______________   Phone Number ____________________________

Home Address ____________________________________________________________________

Street   City    State/Zip

Email Address ____________________________________________________________________

High School ______________________________________________________________________

Name of College/University at which you have applied to or been accepted to for the fall semester.

❑ Applied   ❑ Accepted

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General Area of Study _______________________   Specific Major _________________________

Composite SAT/ACT Score __________________________________________________________

Signature of Applicant           Date

The following items are required and must be received by Farm Credit of Northwest Florida by February 15, 2016 to be fully considered for scholarship:

❑ Completed application.

❑ Official copy of transcript.

❑ Resume of work history, activities, honors, and volunteer efforts.

(two page maximum, typed, 10 point font, one-sided, single spaced, ½ inch margins max)

❑ Essay on how the applicant plans to use their major in his/her chosen career path.

(Limited to 1 page only, typed, 12 point font, double spaced)

❑ Submit a signed letter of recommendation with the completed application.

(Recommendations may be written by guidance counselor, high school teacher, or community leader.)

❑ Live within the Association’s chartered territory.

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