2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR COOPERATIVE FARMERS ELEVATOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Due Date: March 18, 2026

Cooperative Farmers Elevator is offering 5 (five) $1,000 scholarships to high school seniors pursuing an agricultural-related major at a technical school or college this fall.

Full Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: Street, PO Box, City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): _____

Mother Occupation: _____ Father Occupation: _____

List all membership accounts you are associated with both personal and business. If you are unsure of your account #, please reach out to your local CFE location for assistance.

CFE Member Name: _____ Member Acct. Number: _____

High School Name and Address: _____

High School Guidance Counselor Name: _____ Phone: _____

Date of High School Awards Night: _____ Time: _____

College, University or Technical School you plan to attend: _____

Address: Street, PO Box, City, State, Zip _____

Expected Major: _____

Name of hometown newspaper: _____ Phone: _____

ESSAYS:

Please complete **2** of the 3 essays below and attach it to your scholarship application, **500 words minimum each, complete as 2 separate essays**.

1. Imagine you're leading a team to address a major issue in agriculture. What would it be and how would you approach it?
2. Describe a role model or mentor in agriculture who has inspired you and how their guidance has impacted your path.
3. If you come from a non-farming background, explain what motivates you to pursue a career in agriculture despite this disconnect.

BONUS ESSAYS:

Complete the below essay question for an additional 5 points. These essays may be used in determining a tie breaker situation.

1. Compose a poem, song, or short story that captures your passion for agriculture in a creative way.

APPLICANT AGREEMENT:

Please read carefully; By signing this agreement, it is agreed that I have read the CFE Scholarship guidelines and fully understand the terms and conditions.

I agree that this scholarship application is valid and includes my own words and thoughts. If awarded a CFE Scholarship, I give CFE permission to disclose my name and photos in any scholarship publicity. I understand, if I qualify for multiple scholarship/sponsorships through CFE, I will only be awarded a maximum of 1 (one) scholarship/sponsorship.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

How did you hear about the CFE Scholarship? _____

Academic Verification: *Must be completed and signed by a school administrator or guidance counselor*

This is to certify that _____ (student name) is a senior at _____

(high school name) and will graduate _____ (month/date/year). He/she has a GPA of _____ out of _____.

***Date and Time of Senior Awards Night**: _____*

Signature of School Administrator or Guidance Counselor: _____ Date: _____

School Administrator or Guidance Counselor Contact Information:

Email: _____ Phone: _____

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Please include with the completed application and mail to:

- Two (2) letters of recommendations from non-relatives

Instructions for recommendation letters, 100 words minimum each:

- Relationship to the applicant
- Why they're deserving of this scholarship

Cooperative Farmers Elevator
Scholarship Program
PO Box 37
Rock Valley, IA 51247
or
scholarships@coopfe.com

Postmark by: March 18, 2026

Double check you have completed all steps:

1. *Complete the application.*
    a. *With signatures*
2. *Include **2 (two)** separate essays.*
    a. *500 words minimum **EACH***
3. *Include **2 (two)** letters of recommendation.*
    a. *100 words minimum **EACH***
4. *Email or Mail (postmark) by March 18, 2026*