

Ag Youth Scholarship Application

Guidelines and Application

Graduating high school seniors pursuing an agricultural-related major at any two - or four-year college are encouraged to apply for one of six \$1,000 Viafield Ag Youth Scholarships.

Student Eligibility

- High school senior, graduating in the spring
- Must intend to major in agriculture
- Legal U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- The student or the parent of the student must be a patron member of Viafield
- Students of Viafield Team Members who are Class A and Class B coop members in good standing

Application Checklist

- Complete application
- Official school transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation
- Acceptance letter from selected two- or four-year college (if applicable)
- Complete responses to all questions and essays
- Academic verification complete with signature by a school administrator/guidance counselor
- Applicant and parent/guardian signature, if applicant is under 18 years



The High School Scholarship guidelines and application are accessible by visiting the Community Giving section of the Viafield website (under the about us tab).

Selection Process

Viafield High School Scholarship recipients shall be determined by an external, independent committee. Selection will be made on the basis of scholarship ability and citizenship qualities.

Important Deadlines

All materials (see checklist) must be postmarked by March 15. All applicants will receive formal notification at there Senior Awards event and/or by mail shortly after.

Mailing Instructions (Note: USPS registered mail certifies safe delivery)

Viafield
High School Scholarship Program
1001 Blunt Pkwy
Charles City, Iowa 50616

All questions should be directed to Chris Menke, Marketing Communications Director, at (641) 715-1203 or cmenke@viafield.com. Failure to meet the application requirements warrants exclusion.

Specific Instructions

Failure to enclose all of the required information, sign the application or meet the deadline date will result in disqualification.

About Viafield

Viafield is a farmer-owned supply and grain cooperative formed in September 2010. As a leader in agriculture we provide unparalleled customer service and innovative products to meet our customers' Agronomy, Energy, Feed and Grain needs. Viafield's 18 convenient locations serve customers throughout northern Iowa and southern Minnesota.

Applicant Information

Name - Last, First, Middle	Date of Birth	Email Address
Address	City	State Zip
Area code - Home phone number	Area code - Cell phone number	
Name of mother / guardian	Name of father / guardian	
High school name	Guidance counselor name	
High school address	City	State Zip
University / college	Expected major	
University / college address	City	State Zip
Name of hometown newspaper	Newspaper email	
Complete name registered under Viafield Membership (personal or business)		

How did you hear about the Viafield High School Scholarship? *Please select all that apply*

- High school guidance counselor
 Viafield location, please list location _____
 College or university, please specify _____
 Internet website, please specify _____
 Other, please specify _____

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 _____.

 Administrator/Guidance Counselor Signature Title Date

 Email Phone

Personal Aspirations *Please complete and attach responses to your scholarship application*

1. Describe why you selected the university/college indicated and the intended major.
2. Briefly explain your career goals and how you came to this conclusion.

Leadership and Personal Achievements *Please complete and attach responses to your scholarship application*

1. Identify agricultural-related leadership activities you have been involved with in high school and/or your community.
2. List any awards, honors or other achievements earned while in high school.

Essays *Please complete and attach both essays to your scholarship application, limiting each to 500 words*

1. Explain the role of the U.S. agricultural industry in a global economy. Describe how future leaders, like you, will impact this global industry, whether you live and work in a rural community, urban center or abroad.
2. Describe a leader that you admire. Explain the leadership qualities that he or she exhibits and why you look up to him or her. This individual does not need to be well known.

Applicant Agreement *Please read carefully*

By signing this agreement, it is agreed that I have read the Viafield High School Scholarship guidelines and fully understand the terms and conditions.

Furthermore, it is agreed that this scholarship application is valid and includes my own words and thoughts. If awarded a Viafield High School Scholarship, Viafield (a cooperative) is given permission to disclose my name in any scholarship publicity.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

