

2024 Dave Armstrong Scholarship

GreenStone Farm Credit Services

In honor of former President and CEO, Dave Armstrong, GreenStone Farm Credit Services will award up to \$20,000 in scholarships to college students in the amount of \$5,000 each. Dave Armstrong served GreenStone and the agricultural community for 41 years before retiring in 2022. Like GreenStone, Dave values youth development and continued education, supporting the future success of agriculture and timber.

Application and Details

Part I: Student to Complete

- Visit www.greenstonefcs.com/scholarships to access and download the application.
- Once downloaded, save as *Your Full Name – Scholarship 2024* Once your file has been saved, open and complete the Personal Information, Questions and Consent Release sections (page 1 -3).
- Once you have completed pages 1-3, re-save your application.

Part II: Evaluator to Complete

- Student must email entire application package to a non-family member for evaluation by to complete the Reference Form (page 4).
- Once complete, evaluator shall email the entire application package back to student.

Part III: Student Submits Application

- Once all sections are complete, submit entire application package, a current, one-page resume providing details on work experience, extracurricular activities, leadership positions, awards and other relevant experiences gained during college along with a copy of the student's transcripts.
- The completed application must be returned by March 1, 2024 to GreenStone Farm Credit Services by email: marketing@greenstonefcs.com.

Additional Details:

- Applications will be reviewed by the GreenStone Farm Credit Services scholarship committee and notification will be provided to applicants on or before April 1, 2024.
- If selected, a course schedule of the Fall 2024 semester at the same college or university, with the same field of study as listed on scholarship application, must be received by August 2, 2024. It is the recipient's responsibility to forward the confirmed class schedule to GreenStone Farm Credit Services by August 2, 2024, or risk forfeit of scholarship.
- After August 2, 2024, scholarship award funds will be mailed by check directly to the admissions office of the student's college or university following receipt of course schedule.
- In the event any portion of the funding is not used by recipient for the sole purpose of higher education, the unused portion shall be returned to GreenStone.



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Qualifications

Applicants must meet the following qualifications in order to be considered for a GreenStone Farm Credit Services scholarship:

- Open to current college students majoring in an agricultural or timber-related field with at least the fall semester (minimum 12 credit hours) remaining in the year of application.
- Must be a resident within GreenStone Farm Credit Services' territory, which includes Michigan and these Wisconsin counties: Brown, Door, Florence, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Outagamie, Shawano, Waupaca.
- Preference will be given to those attending a Michigan or Wisconsin college or university.
- Currently studying an agriculture or timber-related field.
- Student must be currently enrolled as a full time college student (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester).
- Intend to have a career in production agriculture, agribusiness or timber.
- Demonstrates participation and leadership in school, community and agricultural/timber activities.
- Preference will be given to students with a 3.0 or higher college grade point average.
- Provide a current, one-page resume providing details on college-only work experience, extracurricular activities, leadership positions, awards and other relevant information.
- Submit a transcript from your college or university showing current Spring semester courses; unofficial transcripts are acceptable.
- Include one reference form completed by a non-family member.
- Relatives (siblings, stepsiblings, children, stepchildren, grandchildren, step-grandchildren, nieces and nephews) of GreenStone Farm Credit Services board director and employees are not eligible to receive a scholarship.



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1. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All supporting documents must be included at time of submission.
2. Return completed application by March 1, 2024 to GreenStone Farm Credit Services by emailing marketing@greenstonefcs.com.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name *(Last)* *(First)* *(Middle)*

Address

City State ZIP County

Telephone Email address Birth Date (month/year)

Are you related to a GreenStone Farm Credit Services customer? Yes No

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If yes, list the customer's full name and applicant's relationship to customer.

Are you a relative (sibling, stepsibling, child, stepchild, grandchild, step-grandchild, niece or nephew) of a GreenStone Farm Credit Services director or employee? Yes ☐ No ☐

(Director and employee relatives are not eligible.)

School Name Admissions Office Telephone

Admission Office Address City State Zip

What is your Major or Field of Study 2-year program ☐ 4-year program ☐

(An agricultural major or field of study is required).

Please list any local newspapers in your hometown or in the town of your college/university.

QUESTIONS

1. Please describe your post college or university graduation goal(s). *(200 word maximum)*
2. Identify an emerging area in agriculture and describe how GreenStone Farm Credit Services can serve this field. *(300 word maximum)*

CONSENT RELEASE - INFORMATION AND PHOTO USE AUTHORIZATION

I hereby authorize the use of, by GreenStone Farm Credit Services, ACA, and/or GreenStone Farm Credit Services, FLCA, and/or their agents and designees (collectively, "GreenStone"):

- Photographs/digital images
- Video or recordings
- Audio or quoted remarks
- Educational or other presentation/handout materials
- My name/identity as a GreenStone customer

in marketing or promotion produced for, by, or on behalf of GreenStone, in articles, advertisements, digital communication, audio, publications, and such other purposes as GreenStone may identify from time to time as appropriate uses for the above information.

All materials, to include negatives, positives, prints, digital reproductions, video and audio recordings, and written articles (electronic or print), shall be the property of GreenStone.

I hereby further release any and all claims to the above items, including, without limitation, claims for monetary or other compensation and claims for loss or damage of any nature whatsoever related to the above items or to their use by GreenStone as authorized herein, unless at such time I revoke such consent(s) in writing to the Marketing and Public Relations Department, 3515 West Road, East Lansing, MI 48823.

I hereby affirm that I am of legal age and competent to provide this authorization and release and, if this authorization and release is given on behalf of a minor, that I have full authority to do so.

(An electronic reproduction of this fully-executed document shall be as valid as the original.)

Date

Signature of parent/legal guardian or adult subject

Printed name of adult subject

Address

City

State

Zip

Printed name of minor subject

APPLICANT: AFTER YOU HAVE COMPLETED YOUR PART OF THIS APPLICATION, PRESENT IT TO A PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE TO COMPLETE THE REFERENCE FORM.

THE COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE RETURNED TO GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES BY MARCH 1, 2024.

REFERENCE FORM

Name of Applicant _____

Name of Evaluator _____

Title and Company of Evaluator _____

Relationship with Applicant (*non-family member*) _____

Evaluator Phone Number _____ Evaluator Email _____

Please rate the candidate on a scale of 1 to 5 (5=exceptional).

1. Academic potential	1	2	3	4	5
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Comments:

2. Leadership potential	1	2	3	4	5
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Comments:

3. Passion for agriculture industry	1	2	3	4	5
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Comments:

4. Character and integrity	1	2	3	4	5
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Comments:

5. Overall impression of applicant	1	2	3	4	5
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Any additional comments: