

GreenStone Farm Credit Services 2020 Scholarship Program

GreenStone Farm Credit Services will award up to \$40,000 in scholarships to incoming college freshman in the amount of \$2,000 each to selected students attending a four-year college program and \$1,000 each to selected students attending a two-year college program.

Application and Details

1. Visit www.greenstonefcs.com/scholarships to access and download the application to your computer. Once the file is downloaded, open and complete the Personal Information and Questions sections (page 1 -3). Print the completed application.
2. Applicant and parent/guardian must sign and date the Information and Photograph Use Authorization (page 4).
3. Submit entire application package to your high school principal or guidance counselor to complete the Academic Achievement section (page 5). Once it is completed, submit the entire application package, including two letters of recommendation, to GreenStone Farm Credit Services.
4. The completed application must be returned by **February 29, 2020** to GreenStone Farm Credit Services following the options outlined below. Applications that are sent by U.S. Mail must be postmarked no later than February 29, 2020 and received no later than March 6, 2020. If mailed applications are postmarked later than February 29 or are received later than March 6, they will not be accepted for consideration. Applications submitted by overnight courier delivery service, email or fax must be received by February 29.
 - Mail to:
 - GreenStone Farm Credit Services
Attn: Marketing and Public Relations
Department 3515 West Road
East Lansing, MI 48823
 - Email: marketing@greenstonefcs.com
 - Fax: 517-318-1259
5. Applications will be reviewed by the GreenStone Farm Credit Services scholarship committee and notification will be provided to applicants on or before April 17, 2020.
6. A transcript identifying successful completion of the Fall 2020 semester at the same college or university, and in the same major field of study as identified on the scholarship application, must be received by January 8, 2021. It is the recipient's responsibility to forward the transcript verification to GreenStone Farm Credit Services by January 8, 2021, or risk forfeit of scholarship. After January 8, 2021, scholarship award funds will be mailed by check directly to the student following receipt of transcript. In the event any portion of the funding is not used by the recipient for the sole purpose of higher education, the unused portion shall be returned to GreenStone Farm Credit Services.



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Qualifications

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

- Must be a full-time high school senior graduating in 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.
- Be an incoming freshman to a two-year or four-year college or university in the year of application. Preference will be given to those attending a Michigan or Wisconsin college or university.
- Plan to study an agriculture-related field.
- Complete a minimum of 12 credit hours during the first semester of freshman year with a 3.0 GPA or above.
- Intend to have a career in production agriculture or agribusiness.
- Demonstrate participation and leadership in school, community and agricultural activities.
- Earn satisfactory academic success by attaining a 3.0 or higher high school grade point average.
- Submit complete application with two letters of recommendation written by non-family members by published deadline.
- 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.
2. Academic Achievement must be completed by your high school principal or guidance counselor.
3. Return completed application by February 29, 2020 to:
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3515 West Road, East Lansing, MI 48823 or marketing@greenstonefcs.com or fax: 517-318-1259

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name (Last) (First) (Middle)

Address

City State ZIP County

Telephone Email address Birth Date (month/year)

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) Name

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

If yes, list the applicant's relationship to GreenStone Farm Credit Services 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.)

High School Name High School Telephone

High School Address City State Zip

Name of college or university you are planning to attend. *(Preference will be given to applicants attending colleges and universities located in Michigan and Wisconsin.)*

2-year program 4-year program

What is your intended Major or Field of Study *(An agricultural major or field of study is required).*

Please list any local newspapers in your hometown.



ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

1. List honors or awards you have received. *(Use only the space provided.)*

2. List both volunteer and paid work experience and duties performed. *(Use only the space provided.)*

Volunteer Work Experience

Paid Work Experience

3. List involvement in your community and/or agricultural youth groups, along with leadership role(s).
(Use only the space provided.)

4. Please describe your post college or university graduation goal(s). *(200 word maximum)*

5. Identify an emerging area in agriculture and describe how GreenStone Farm Credit Services can serve this field. *(300 word maximum)*

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 YOUR PRINCIPAL OR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR TO COMPLETE THE BELOW ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT SECTION. THE COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE RETURNED TO GREENSTONE FARM CREDIT SERVICES BY February 29, 2020.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

*This section to be completed by applicant's high school principal or guidance counselor. Applicant: please return completed application, including two letters of recommendation, by **February 29, 2020** to: GreenStone Farm Credit Services, Attn: Marketing and Public Relations Dept., 3515 West Road, East Lansing, MI 48823 or marketing@greenstonefcs.com.*

Student's Graduation Date _____(month/year)

Student ranks # _____ in a class of _____(total number of seniors). This school does not rank

Cumulative GPA _____

	Enthusiastically Recommend	Strongly Recommend	Recommend
For academic potential	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For character and personal promise	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For leadership potential	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This school has an award assembly and would welcome a GreenStone Farm Credit Services representative to present the student with a scholarship certificate at that time. Yes No

Award Assembly _____
(Date/Time)

Name _____ Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Telephone _____ Email address _____