



**2016 Winner's Circle
Incoming Freshman Scholarship Application
Application Deadline – May 1, 2016**

To complete this application, type directly into the space provided.

Section I: Background and Contact Information

Name	(Last)	(First)
Home Address	(Street, P.O. Box)	(City, State, Zip Code)
Name of High School		(City, State, Zip Code)
County of Residence		
Contact Information:	Phone:	Email:
	(Birth Date)	(Check One) Male Female
Parent/Guardian Name(s):	(Father's Name)	(Mother's Name)
Parent(s)/Guardian(2) Occupation:	(Father's Occupation)	(Mother's Occupation)

*ACT Composite Score:	*SAT Composite Score:
High School GPA:	Rank in Class:

*Preference will be given to those who include ACT or SAT Score

College You Plan To Attend:	First Choice:
	Second Choice:
Major:	

Intention of IFAA Winner's Circle Scholarship Award Process (*please read carefully*):

The IFAA scholarship program values most in the students we select, those who

- a. plan and execute a plan that ensures a direct, successful career in agriculture
- b. show that they value agriculture by their choices in and out of school

In some (but not all) cases, it may be important for selection that a student document that they

- a. have tangible need of financial support to ensure that they can finish their degree program in a timely manner
- b. can demonstrate a specific passion for a particular industry; an industry focused around a commodity or a service to those who produce an agricultural product.

Directions:

Most all applicants have a large list of varied life experiences that make them very qualified for these awards. It is challenging for the selection committee to select and judge which experiences best qualify the applicant for these awards. Therefore, we ask that the applicants choose for themselves a short list of their experiences that best qualify themselves for these awards.

To encourage careful selection and worded responses, applicants are restricted to the space provided. The restricted space causes the applicant to carefully consider all of their background and choose those items which best makes the case that they are the applicant to be awarded.

Additional pages or words not requested will result in disqualification of the application. So it is critical to adhere to these requirements.

Careful attention to presentation of the material (spelling, grammar, wording, organization) is important to successful selection as well. Succinct, factual statements are more beneficial than verbose phrases without specific content.

Section II: Agriculture Background and Interest

My primary species or area of interest in agriculture is _____ and it is easy to see that I have this primary interest because:

I also have a strong interest in the agriculture area of _____ and again one can best see that this is true because:

Section III: Demonstration of Passion

What specific activities, experiences and accomplishments in 4-H, FFA or School best demonstrate your passion for agriculture?

Section IV: Potential for Academic Success

What evidence have you which best demonstrates that you will likely be successful in your academic endeavors?

Section V: Plans for a future in agriculture

How have you purposefully conducted your life, what choices have you made, that demonstrate that you have planned a successful future in agriculture? Be specific about your plans after graduation from college.

Section VI: Leadership

Leadership qualities are greatly valued in the selection of some of our awards. Leadership experiences and successes may, but most certainly does not always come with a title (like “vice president” for example). Please list your major leadership activities and how each has resulted in benefit to others and to your future.

Section VII: Financial Need

If applicable, describe how tangible need of financial support is needed to ensure that you will finish your degree program in a timely manner.

Section VIII: Strength of Background in 4-H and/or FFA

Many of our awards require a strong background in 4-H and/or FFA. What are the five (5) most significant pieces of evidence that document your strength of background in these organizations? Can be projects, leadership, State Fair projects and activities, training/educational, community or service activities. Please list and expound on each area.

- 1.

- 2.

- 3.

- 4.

- 5.

The years you were in 4-H and/or FFA

Section IX: Any additional information?

What additional information would encourage the committee to consider your application and yet has not found its way into the previous responses? *Please complete – counts for 5% of Score.*

By virtue of my signature below I am verifying that the contents of this application are to the best of my knowledge accurate and that I recommend this applicant for consideration.

High School Principal or Counselor

Date

By virtue of my signature below I am verifying that the contents of this application are accurate and that I am qualified to receive and award from IFAA. I also am giving permission for IFAA to use my name, my photo, and the information contained in this application for publicity purposes to further promote the scholarship cause of IFAA.

Applicant

Date

After reviewing the scholarship criteria, check the scholarship(s) for which you are best qualified:

- \$5,000 Branstad-Reynolds Agriculture Scholarship (2)
- \$6,000 Iowa Select Farms Scholarship
- \$3,000 Alliant Energy – Interstate Power & Light Scholarship
- \$3,000 Timmins, Kroll & Jacobsen Scholarship
- \$3,000 Tom & Donna Lauterbach Memorial Breeding Heifer Scholarship
- \$3,000 Bart Nelson Memorial Sheep Scholarship
- \$2,500 Cargill Provimi Agriculture Scholarship
- \$2,000 IFAA Excellence in Overall Livestock Project Participation (4)
- \$2,000 IFAA Don Greiman Honorary Beef Participation
- \$2,000 IFAA Earl Freel Memorial Sheep Participation
- \$2,000 IFAA Swine Participation
- \$2,000 Cattlemen's Beef Quarters Scholarship
- \$1,500 John and Emily Putney Scholarship
- \$1,500 Iowa Purebred Swine Council Scholarship
- \$1,500 Russ Brannen/KENT FEEDS Memorial Beef Scholarship
- \$1,500 Dean and Adele Bowden Scholarship
- \$1,500 Iowa Foundation for Agricultural Scholarship
- \$1,000 Schlutz Family Beef Breeding Scholarship
- \$1,000 Iowa Cattlemen's Foundation Scholarship
- \$1,000 Clayton & Colton Novak Memorial Scholarship
- \$1,000 Iowa Pork Producers Scholarship
- \$1,000 The Maschhoffs Inc. Pork Industry Scholarship
- \$1,000 Custom Builders Inc./EPS Buildings Scholarship
- \$1,000 Fareway Stores Scholarship
- \$1,000 Longnecker Fertilizer Scholarship
- \$1,000 Brock Grain Systems Scholarship
- \$1,000 The Andersons Nutra-Flo Scholarship
- \$1,000 Chamness Companies Scholarship
- \$1,000 Iowa Poultry Association Scholarship
- \$2,000 4-H, IFAA & Hy-Vee Foundation Scholarship
- \$1,000 4-H, IFAA & Hy-Vee Foundation Scholarships (23)
- \$1,000 FFA & IFAA Foundation Scholarships (8)
- \$500 Dewey Tucker Family Scholarships (2)
- \$500 Iowa State Fair FFA Blue and Gold Gilt Sale Scholarships (2)
- \$500 Tall Corn Meat Goat Wether Association Scholarship
- \$500 Western Edge Scholarship

This application form may be duplicated as needed.

Return completed application form, postmarked by **May 1, 2016** to:

IFAA Winner's Circle Scholarship
c/o SGI
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Cambridge, IA 50046