



2023 SOUTHWEST FLORIDA & LEE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION, INC.  
THE LEE COUNTY FARM BUREAU YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

The Lee County Farm Bureau Youth Scholarship is sponsored by the Farm Bureau of Lee County and is administered by the Board of Trustees of the Southwest Florida and Lee County Fair Association, Inc. This scholarship is open to high school seniors who are actively exhibiting in the Southwest Florida and Lee County Fair, who are a resident of Lee County, and who aspire to major in an Agricultural related field. The Lee County Farm Bureau's mission is to be a positive voice for agriculture through leadership and education to improve the quality of life and economic well-being of its members and community.

A total of \$1,000.00 for tuition is available to be awarded to two qualifying applicants meeting the criteria.

**Award of Scholarship:** Two scholarship awards in the amount of \$500 each are available to be distributed for the Fall term of the year of qualifying. Scholarship funds are paid directly to the school upon proper documentation of school registration and course selection. Scholarship Award may be deferred up to 4 (four) years, as long as the recipient is actively enrolled in a qualifying school.

**Eligibility Requirements:** The applicant must be an active 4H/FFA Exhibitor showing in the Southwest Florida & Lee County Fair, be a resident of Lee County, hold a minimum 3.0 GPA, be a current high school senior - this includes seniors who are concurrently dual enrolled in a college, and who aspire to major in an Agricultural related field.

**Application Package:** Completed applications must include three letters (3) of recommendation and the students most recent semester-ending report card – report card must show the students GPA. Recommendation letters should be from diverse backgrounds. Example: 4-H/FFA, School, Business, or Community Leader.

**Award Criteria:**

- 15% - Years, Range of entries, and accomplishments in the Southwest Florida & Lee County Fair.
- 10% - High School Extracurricular Activities throughout High School
- 25% - Essay – 300 word minimum
- 10 % - Community Involvement and Volunteer Service Hours – not 4-H/FFA related
- 15 % - Years and Involvement in 4-H / FFA
- 20 % - Thoroughness, completeness, and neatness of application.

**Evaluation:** Applications are evaluated by the Scholarship Evaluation Committee based on the criteria provided. The non-weighted GPA will be added to the score to determine final points. All decisions are final.

**Due Date:** April 3, 2023. Applications received after April 3, 2023, will be penalized 1.5 points per day, up to two (2) days. Applications received after April 5, 2023, will not be accepted.

**Email complete application packet to:** [fcrone@leeciviccenter.com](mailto:fcrone@leeciviccenter.com)

Please review your application prior to submittal for completeness, accuracy, and neatness. This page does not need to be submitted with your application - this page is for you to keep.

Applicant # \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Receipt: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Office use only)

**LEE COUNTY FARM BUREAU YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION PACKET FOR 2023**

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Fair Participation \_\_\_\_\_

School you currently attend: \_\_\_\_\_

College / Trade School you anticipate attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Desired College Major or Trade School Career: \_\_\_\_\_

Provide your high school grade point average below. A copy of the students most recent semester-ending Report Card must be included with this application. The report card must show the students GPA.

High School - GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Weighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_



## Scholarship Questions for the Lee County Farm Bureau Youth Scholarship:

Below are the required criteria to be considered for the Lee County Farm Bureau Youth Scholarship. In addition to these criteria, the applicant must be a resident of Lee County, and one who aspires to major in an Agriculture related field. Information must be submitted in a typed format of your choice, no smaller than 12-point. The application packet should contain a maximum of (6) single-sided pages – not including the two pages of the application packet. Margins should be a minimum of 3/4” on all four edges. Answers to questions, as well as pages should be numbered.

1. Provide information on your number of years, entries, and accomplishments in the **Southwest Florida and Lee County Fair**. (15 points)
2. List and describe extracurricular **High School Activities** - including leadership roles, awards, and honors. Extracurricular Activities would include, but is not limited to high school clubs, high school teams, high school committees, and positions/offices held. (10 points)
3. **Essay** – 300 word minimum - write an essay about yourself, your experiences, and accomplishments, **in the Southwest Florida & Lee County Fair**, your educational plans, and career goals in an **Agricultural related field**. **Essay must be related to this specific scholarship (25 points). A maximum of 10 points will be deducted if the essays are ‘copied’ and do not meet this criteria.**
4. List and describe any **community wide involvement** (civic clubs, church, special events, etc.) and years involved in each – this should include a minimum of ten (10) hours of community volunteer service, not 4- H or school related. (10 points)
5. Describe your involvement, specifically, in your **4-H/FFA Club**, include number of years, positions/offices, etc. (15 points)
6. Thoroughness, completeness, and neatness of application. This includes proper grammar, punctuation, and following directions. (20 points)

**Complete Applications are due Monday, April 3, 2023. Applications received after the April 3, 2023, will be penalized 1.5 points per day up to two (2) days. Applications received after the April 5, 2023, will not be accepted. All applications are due by email to [fcrone@leeciviccenter.com](mailto:fcrone@leeciviccenter.com)**

I understand it is my responsibility to confirm all required paperwork is received by the Southwest Florida and Lee County Fair Association, Inc. I hereby affirm that I meet the eligibility requirements for the Adam Barfield Youth Scholarship and hereby formally request consideration of my application by the Scholarship Review Committee. I understand the Scholarship Review Committee of the Southwest Florida and Lee County Fair Association, Inc. has my permission to review the academic records I have submitted in support of my application for this scholarship.

I understand Scholarship Awards may be deferred up to 4 (four) years, as long as the recipient is actively enrolled in a qualifying school. If I am to request deferment of funds, I will notify the Fair Manager so appropriate action can be taken. To request deferred scholarship funds, the Scholarship Information Form must be submitted, along with a copy of the recipients’ latest transcripts.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

