

NATIONAL FARMERS UNION FOUNDATION

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Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the National Farmers Union Foundation Hubert K. Seymour Scholarship.

Please read the application materials thoroughly. Attached you will find:

Information sheet containing basic information about the scholarship including eligibility requirements, award criteria, amount of scholarship, deadline for your application, and a list of required documents (i.e., application form, a copy of your high school transcript, two letters of recommendation and your essay) to submit for consideration.

Application form to be completed electronically or printed and filled in manually.

If you have questions regarding any of the enclosed materials, please call me at 202-554-1600 or e-mail me at bjablonsky@nfudc.org. We look forward to receiving your application.

Best wishes,



Brittany Jablonsky
Acting Education Director

****Note****

If you are using Adobe Reader you will not be able to save changes to the form on your computer. If you are using a full version of Adobe Acrobat you should be able to use the Save As command to keep a completed copy of the form on your computer. When the form is complete please print two (2) copies – one for your records and one to mail to National Farmers Union.

Please do not submit materials electronically.

Submit all materials at one time. However, if transcripts need to be sent directly from your school, make a note on your application.

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Hubert K. Seymour

Hubert K. Seymour was a leader in Farmers Union throughout his life at both the state and national levels. He served the Illinois Farmers Union as secretary-treasurer for eight years and vice president for 12 years before he stepped down in 1990. At the national level, he served and participated in a variety of ways. Seymour traveled each year to the National Farmers Union Convention to hear the premier agricultural speakers and congregate with farm leaders. This was an opportunity for him to voice his concerns and offer solutions to the challenges family farmers faced.

Seymour was actively involved in the politics of agriculture and dedicated to the fight for parity. In addition to the leadership provided within Farmers Union, Seymour also served on a number of agricultural advisory boards within the state of Illinois and on an advisory committee under former President Jimmy Carter's Administration.

Throughout his service as a leader, he did much to promote and protect the rights of family farmers throughout Illinois and the United States. He is remembered with great affection and this scholarship represents his outstanding service.

Hubert K. Seymour died in 1994 from brain cancer at the age of 72. He farmed full-time until his diagnosis and surgery in mid-June of 1994. This scholarship is his family's way of paying a living tribute to his dedication, hard work and commitment to Farmers Union and the family farmer.

Eligibility:

Open to all graduating high school seniors who are continuing their education in either a two-year or four-year accredited college or university for any area of study. Must be a Farmers Union member.

Award Criteria:

Academic record of student. Social and community activities.
Written essay on the significance of rural values in America on your life.
Phone interview with finalists.

Amount:

\$2,000 scholarship for tuition and books.

Application Deadline:

February 13, 2009 (postmark date)

Selection Date:

April 2, 2009

Materials to be returned:

Completed application form. Copy of your high school transcript.
Two letters of recommendation — one from a Farmers Union leader and one from a school counselor or teacher.

Essay: Identify and discuss the significance of rural values in America and on your life.
Essays must be three pages, double-spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font with one-inch margins.

All essays will be judged on creativity, content, spelling and grammar.

Include a cover page with your name and the title of your essay.

Please do not staple your application or essay.

Return application materials to:

National Farmers Union
Attn: Brittany Jablonsky
400 North Capitol St NW, Suite 790
Washington DC 20001

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Hubert K. Seymour Scholarship Application

Name (first) _____ Middle I. _____ Last _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Phone Number _____ Birthday _____ SSN _____

Parents' Names _____

State of Farmers Union Membership _____ County _____

Years family has been involved with Farmers Union _____

School activities

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Community activities

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Hobbies/Interests

Please outline your career goals and your planned course of study and briefly describe why you have chosen this path.

Name, address and phone number of high school you are currently attending.

Name, address and phone number of the college or school you will be attending.

By signing my name I acknowledge that this information is complete and accurate.

Signed by

Date

Don't forget your essay, transcripts and letters of recommendation.

Print Form