

GATEWAY/KEARNEY FARM EXPO SCHOLARSHIP

Guidelines & Application Information

Kearney Farm Expo, Inc., the provider of the Gateway Farm Expo event held each year at the Buffalo Country Fairgrounds in Kearney, is awarding a \$1,000 scholarship to a qualifying student for the 2012/2013 academic year.

We encourage you to review the following guidelines and if you qualify, to submit an application by the deadline date of April 13th, 2012.

To qualify for the scholarship, a student must meet the following:

- a. Plan to be enrolled in an accredited, school or institution of higher learning for the 2012/2013 academic year.
- b. Be pursuing a degree or certificate in agriculture, which shall for the purpose of this award include Production Agriculture, Agri-Business and Finance, and related fields.
- c. Must be a current, graduating senior in Buffalo County or Kearney County; or a resident of Buffalo County or Kearney County who has successfully completed home study at the level to enter college or who has received within the current calendar year, a GED (Graduate Equivalent Degree) and be at an age of 17, 18 or 19.

Selection of the scholarship recipient shall be made from qualifying applicants based on the following criteria;

1. The submission and content of a 200 word maximum essay responding to the question "How do you see agriculture in the future and how will you fit in that picture?"
2. Involvement in non-academic activities.
3. The receipt and content of two "Statements of Character"; one to be completed by a member of the applicant's school administration and the other by someone outside of the school system.
4. Submission of the applicants' class (grade) transcript; for the purpose of reviewing the curriculum completed, and as such, grades need not be a part of the transcript.
5. Submission of the application by the deadline date of April 13th, 2012.

Once selected, the student's high school guidance counselor will be notified and announcement to the student will be made in the manner established by the school and counselor.

Prior to making payment of the award, the selected student will need to provide proof of enrollment in an institution of higher learning to Kearney Farm Expo, Inc. The payment will be made directly to the school upon verification of enrollment of the student.

To submit an application, please complete the above criteria and submit by the deadline date of April 15, 2011, to:

**Kearney Farm Expo, Inc.
c/o KAAPA
P.O. Box 1301
Kearney, NE 68848**

OR the entire packet of required documents can be submitted electronically within one email addressed to admin@kaapa.com. Email attachments should be in a .pdf file format. A reply will be sent to confirm receipt of the application.

If you have any questions, please contact Regan Jennings at the KAAPA office: 308-234-2712 or admin@kaapa.com.

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Be sure to mail this application to the correct (new) address.

Please complete and attach to the required documents:

Last Name

First Name

Home Address

Age

City, State, Zip

High School (or indicate GED or "Home School")

Phone & Email Address

Name of Guidance Counselor

(1st) Institution of Higher Education you plan to attend

(2nd) Institution of Higher Education you plan to attend

Planned area of study

Anticipated Degree

Non-Academic Activities (list activity, level of accomplishment, awards, etc.):

Please note that this scholarship is now administered by KAAPA Coop on behalf of the Kearney Farm Expo, rather than through the Kearney Area Community Foundation. Application and supporting material is to be mailed to: Kearney Farm Expos, c/o KAAPA, P.O. Box 1301, Kearney, NE 68848

You should attach your class transcript, essay, and two Statements of Character to this form.

Deadline Date is April 13, 2012