



# CHS Foundation High School Scholarship Program

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## Scholarship Program

The CHS Foundation will award 50 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who plan to study an agricultural-related major at a university or two-year college.

## About the CHS Foundation

The CHS Foundation is the major giving entity of CHS Inc., a leading energy, grains and foods company. As a part of the CHS stewardship focus, the CHS Foundation invests in the future of rural America, agriculture and cooperative business through education and leadership development through grants, scholarships and educational support.

## Application Eligibility

- Students are high school seniors, graduating in the spring of 2010
- Students will study an agricultural-related major at a two- or four-year college
- Students must be a U.S. citizen

## Application Instructions

- Applications are available at [www.chsfoundation.org](http://www.chsfoundation.org)
  - The application is an easy-to-use PDF with fill-in-the-blank form fields
  - Applicants can complete the form fields and print for a neat application

In either process students must include the following information with the application:

- Official school transcripts
- Two letters of reference
- Completed answers to short essay questions
- School administrator/guidance counselor signature
- Applicant and parent/guardian signature, if applicant is under 18 years

## Selection Process

The scholarship recipients will be selected by an external, independent committee managed by the CHS Foundation.

Applications must be complete, including all attachments (reference letters, transcripts, etc.) if not complete, the entry will not be considered. All applicants will be notified by May 1. Questions can be directed to 800-814-0506, or visit [www.chsfoundation.org](http://www.chsfoundation.org) for a list of frequently asked questions.

## All materials should be sent together by April 1 (postmarked) to be considered. Mail to:

CHS Foundation  
High School Scholarship Program  
5500 Cenex Drive, MS 407  
Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

Any questions should be directed to 800-814-0506.

## Applicant Information

Name - Last, First, Middle		Date of birth	E-mail address	
Address	Street, P.O. Box, or Route	City	State	Zip
Area Code Telephone Number		Area Code Cell Phone Number		
Name of mother/guardian		Name of father/guardian		
High school name		Guidance counselor name		
High school address		City	State	Zip
<b>University/college</b>		Expected major		
University/college address		City	State	Zip
Name of hometown newspaper		Newspaper e-mail	Newspaper fax	
Newspaper address		City	State	Zip

### How did you hear about this scholarship application? Please check the appropriate boxes

- CHS location, *please list location* \_\_\_\_\_
- Local cooperative location (or newsletter), *please list location* \_\_\_\_\_
- Two-year institution, \_\_\_\_\_
- Online, *please specify* \_\_\_\_\_
- Other, *please specify* \_\_\_\_\_

### Academic Verification

*Must be completed and signed by a school administrator or guidance counselor.*

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (student name) is a senior at \_\_\_\_\_ (high school name) and will graduate in the spring of 2010. He/she has a GPA of \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ .

School official signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

### Scholarship questions

Describe why you chose the university or college that you will attend and the major you will study.

What are your career goals? Explain what led you to this decision.

Describe any leadership and agricultural-related activities you have been involved with in high school and your community. *If more space is needed, attachments may be included with the application.*

Please list any honors or accomplishments that you have earned while in high school.  
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## Short essays

Please complete and attach both essays to your scholarship application. Essay topics are listed below; each essay must be no longer than 500 words.

- I. Explain the role of the U.S. agricultural industry in a global economy. Describe how future leaders, like you, will impact this global industry, whether you live and work in a rural community, urban center or abroad.
- II. Describe a leader that you admire. Explain the leadership qualities that he or she exhibits and why you look up to him or her. This individual does not need to be well known.

## Applicant Agreement

I understand this scholarship application is not complete until I submit the online application and send in the required scholarship attachments (1) this signed Academic Verification and Applicant Agreement Form, (2) official school transcripts, and (3) two letters of reference.

I agree that this scholarship application is valid and includes my own words and thoughts. If I receive a scholarship, give CHS Inc. and CHS Foundation permission to use my name any scholarship winner publicity.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_