

Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association

2023-2024 Scholarship Information

General Information

Attached to this notice is the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association Scholarship application form. All graduating Vandegrift Senior FFA Members with continuing education plans are encouraged to apply. Applications must be typed. Your response to each question should be clear and concise. You may attach additional sheets of paper if necessary.

The deadline for application submission is Tuesday April 5, 2024 by 3:00PM to Mr. Lemmons. To ensure fairness to all applicants, no applications will be accepted after the deadline has passed. No exceptions. Scholarship recipients will be announced at the FFA Banquet.

Scholarship interview date & time is TBD and will be held by a scholarship committee

Criteria for Applying

1. Must be an active senior FFA member enrolled in LISD at least 2 years in Vandegrift's agricultural education program.
2. Parent must be a current dues paying member of the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association for a minimum of 2 years no later than November 1st of student's senior year.
3. Student GPA minimum 2.75 from a 4.0 scale.

Applicants **MUST** Include the following– Incomplete packets will **NOT BE CONSIDERED**.

1. Completed Scholarship Application – must be typed.
- 2 Official High School Transcript (request ASAP)
3. Student Resume, separate from scholarship application

Evaluation Criteria

Scoring Elements:

Career Development Events (CDE)- 20 Points

Supervised Agricultural Experience (SAE)- 20 Points

Leadership Development Events (LDE)- 20 Points

FFA Leadership Roles- 10 Points

School & Community Activities- 15 Points

Scholarship Interview- 15 Points

Total Points- 100

- Neatness and general appearance of application
- Evidence of logic and complete thought processes in written responses
- All blanks completed and filled in as requested
- All signatures in correct places as applicable Judging Information
- Minimum of 3 judges will be selected to evaluate and rank applications and conduct personal interviews. Vandegrift Ag Advisors will act as Ex Officio non-voting members of the committee.
- Judges will act as official scholarship committee.
- Committee of judges will be compiled from outside of current Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association Board & general membership.
- Judges will rank applications and return to the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Board.
- All applications will be ranked by total raw score, and the interview score will determine the tie breaker if any ties.
- The scholarship monies will be awarded upon receipt of proof of registration from the college/trade/technical school of the recipient's choice.
- Recipient must provide the following: student college ID number, mailing address for the institution, desired semester for funds to be applied, as well as institutions deadline for receiving scholarship funds.
- If proof of registration/enrollment has not been received by Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association within 30 days after the start of the Fall Semester of the same year, the award becomes null and void.
- If recipient plans on starting a college/trade/technical school at a later date, proof of acceptance must be received by the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association before June 15th of awarded year. The scholarship can be held for up to one academic year following high school graduation. If the recipient chooses not to pursue continuing education after one academic year, the scholarship is forfeited, and funds will remain in the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Associations possession.

I, _____ certify that this information is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association Scholarship Committee to review my scholarship application and academic records as submitted and required for the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association Scholarship program. I understand that if I am a scholarship recipient and I do not get the required information to the Vandegrift FFA Alumni Association prior to the June 15th deadline, my scholarship will become null and void.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____