

## Texas Farm Bureau High School Scholarship Requirements & Award Criteria

**\*Applications must be submitted on-line on or before 11:59 PM, March 3, 2025\***  
**\*Scholarship awards will be announced by the beginning of June 2025\***

### Eligibility requirements for all high school scholarships (excludes Jana Middleton Student Success Series Memorial Scholarship)

- Complete all questions
- Be a member in good standing of Texas Farm Bureau (*Note - Texas Farm Bureau Membership is a family membership. If listed as a dependent or spouse on the membership, dependents or spouses of Texas Farm Bureau members in good standing are considered to be members (for dependents, only up to age 25). Texas Farm Bureau's membership requirements will apply and govern any determination of membership.*)
- Provide high school information
- Provide accredited college, university, or post-secondary trade school information
- List other scholarships (submitted or received)
- List major agriculture leadership activities
- List other leadership activities
- Upload high school transcript
- Download blank GPA form ([GPA Form](#)) – Your high school principal or counselor **MUST** complete. Once completed, upload GPA form to your application.
- Upload SAT/ACT scores if applicable

### Additional eligibility requirements for Memorial/Honorary Scholarships (valued at \$5,000 each) - Total of 13 are available (1 per district)

- Complete all requirements listed above
- Be a graduating high school senior

### Additional eligibility requirements for TFB District Scholarships (valued at \$3,000 each) - Total of 39 are available (3 per district)

- Complete all requirements listed above
- Be a graduating high school senior

### Additional eligibility requirements for TFB Young Farmer & Rancher (YF&R) Scholarship for high school students (valued at \$1,500 each) - Total of 13 are available (1 per district)

- Complete all requirements listed above
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Intend to pursue an agriculture degree field

### Additional eligibility requirements for Dick Mitchell Memorial Scholarship (valued at \$1,000) - Total of 1 scholarship is available

- Complete all requirements listed above
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Have attended Texas Farm Bureau Student Success Series - Thrive event in 2024 in its entirety except for optional sessions as dictated by the program coordinator.

### **Additional eligibility requirements for Jana Middleton Student Success Series Memorial Scholarship (valued at \$500)**

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Have participated virtually in Texas Farm Bureau Student Success Series – Jumpstart and Activate and completed both programs in their entirety.
- Have attended Texas Farm Bureau Student Success Series – Engage and Thrive event in their entirety except for optional Thrive sessions as dictated by the program coordinator.

Any graduating senior who has successfully completed the requirements for the Jana Middleton Student Success Series Memorial Scholarship is eligible to receive the \$500 scholarship at the conclusion of the Student Success Series – Thrive event. An application is not currently required for this scholarship.

### **Award criteria for all high school scholarships (excludes Jana Middleton Student Success Memorial Scholarship)**

- TFB Honorary/Memorial, TFB District, TFB Dick Mitchell Memorial scholarships are judged by the TFB Scholarship Committee. This committee consists of volunteer TFB county leaders. The scholarship committee members do not judge applicant pools for the TFB district they reside in.
- All TFB Young Farmer & Rancher (YF&R) scholarships are judged by the TFB YF&R Advisory Committee. These individuals are appointed by the TFB President to serve in an advisory role for up to three (3) one (1) year terms. The TFB YF&R Advisory Committee members do not judge applicant pools for the TFB district they reside in.
- The TFB Scholarship Committee and the TFB YF&R Advisory Committee use a judging rubric to judge each applicant. A numerical score and rank are given to each applicant by the three (3) scholarship or YF&R advisory committee members judging their application. The sum of the ranks given to each applicant by three (3) scholarship or YF&R advisory committee members determines the applicant's final ranking in the process.
- The top-ranking high school applicant from each TFB District receives the District's Honorary/Memorial scholarship (valued at \$5,000). The remaining top three (3) applicants from each TFB District receive one of three District scholarships (valued at \$3,000 each).
- The top-ranking high school applicant from each TFB YF&R Scholarship for high school student's applicant pool will receive the District's TFB YF&R Scholarship for high school students (valued at \$1,500).
- The scholarship committee may give preference to applicants who, among other criteria, demonstrate involvement in Texas Farm Bureau and/or county Farm Bureau activities, demonstrate significant involvement in extracurricular activities, and/or hold a high GPA.

### **Maintenance criteria for all high school scholarships (excludes Jana Middleton Student Success Memorial Scholarship)**

- To receive any disbursements, scholars must at all times continue to meet the following criteria:
  - Texas Farm Bureau membership in good standing
  - A status of good standing as defined by their university
- Prior to receiving the first disbursement, the scholar must provide:
  - Proof of enrollment for the upcoming semester
  - Executed Scholarship Certificate
- Prior to receiving the second disbursement, the scholar must:
  - Provide proof of enrollment for the upcoming semester
  - Provide proof of grades for the previous semester

Disclosure: In the review of applications for the above scholarships, certain software or other technologies may be utilized, which may include but not be limited to artificial intelligence. All final decisions on scholarship awards will be made by judges utilizing the criteria and the process, in each case, set forth herein.