



World Ag Expo “We Believe in Growing” Scholarship presented by Coast Counties Peterbilt

Deadline for Scholarship Application: January 20, 2027 – 5:00 p.m.

The scholarship will be granted based on the applicant’s eligibility as outlined in the criteria below, along with the overall quality of the application. While academic performance and financial need will be reviewed, they are not the sole determining factors in the selection process.

Applicants selected for an interview must bring a professional photo of themselves to the interview. Scholarship recipients will be notified prior to the World Ag Expo in February.

The scholarship funds will be sent directly to the university the recipient plans to attend in the fall. These funds must be used for educational expenses such as tuition, fees, books, or other related costs.

Eligibility Requirements

To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a graduating high school senior during the 2026–2027 academic year.
- Have been accepted to an accredited four-year university. If not yet accepted, please list the universities to which you have applied.
- Demonstrate a clear intent to pursue educational and career goals related to agriculture.
- Reside in one of the following California counties: Madera, Fresno, Tulare, Kings, or Kern.
- Submit a completed scholarship application, including official transcripts and letters of recommendation.

Note: Incomplete, handwritten, or late applications will not be accepted.

Application Process

To ensure your application is considered, please follow these steps:

- Submit a completed application—including transcripts and letters of recommendation—by January 20, 2027. Applications must be received by the deadline (not just postmarked).
- Include a high school transcript and ACT or SAT scores. *Do not submit original transcripts in sealed envelopes or folded.*
- Provide two letters of recommendation.
- Mail your application in a 9x12 envelope, unfolded.
- Submit two unstapled copies of the complete application packet, including transcripts and letters of recommendation, to the following address:

**Coast Counties Peterbilt
“We Believe in Growing Scholarship”
15243 Road 192
Porterville, CA 93257
Attn: April Tolson**



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TYPE APPLICATION & ESSAY QUESTIONS

Applicant Name: _____

High School: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Secondary Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian Name(s): _____

Prospective University: _____

Intended College Major: _____

Future Career/Vocation: _____

Semester/Year of First University Enrollment: _____

Date Application Submitted: _____

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Date Received Application _____



SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS

Type a one-page essay outlining your future educational and career goals. Discuss the impact you hope to make within the agriculture industry and describe the steps you've already taken to pursue these aspirations. Your answers should be clear, concise, and reflective of your experiences and aspirations.

1. Describe your involvement in FFA and 4-H.

Include details about specific activities, projects, leadership roles, and participation in judging teams or competitions.

2. Outline your extracurricular activities.

Include school-related organizations, community service initiatives, church involvement, and any other relevant volunteer or leadership experiences.

3. Summarize your work experience.

Provide information about past and current employment, including responsibilities, skills acquired, and how these experiences have contributed to your personal and professional development.

4. Explain your financial need.

Describe your current financial circumstances and how financial assistance will support your educational and career goals.

5. List other financial assistance you have applied for.

Include scholarships, grants, or other forms of aid you have requested or received.

6. Provide any additional information relevant to your application.

This may include personal achievements, challenges you have overcome, or other factors that demonstrate your commitment and potential.