

WILBERT & CAROL KEPPY FOUNDATION 2020 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Five (5) THREE THOUSAND DOLLAR (\$3,000) scholarships have been established by the Wilbert & Carol Keppy Foundation and will be awarded according to the following criteria:



1. \$3,000 will be credited to the school account of the five (5) individuals selected and enrolled as an undergraduate student in any 2 or 4-year college or technical school. One half the amount will be credited the first semester and one half the second semester.
2. Applicant must be a Henry County Farm Bureau® (Illinois) **VOTING** member or dependent of a voting member.
3. Applicant must be a dependent from a farm family currently engaged in production agriculture.
4. Applicant can be majoring in any field, *does not have to be Ag related.*
5. Applicants may be a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled in college or technical school as an undergraduate student.
6. Applicants may apply for the Henry County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship, as well as, the Keppy Foundation Scholarship, ***but may win only one scholarship per year.*** (Scholarship applications will be judged separately)
Recipients are eligible to receive a maximum of two (2) Keppy Foundation Scholarships from the Henry County Farm Bureau during their time in college.
7. Financial need will be a strong consideration. (*Information will be kept confidential.*) Selected applicants will be asked to provide tax forms for verification of financial information.
8. Two (2) current (dated within one year) letters of recommendation (as outlined in Section IV) and high school and current college transcripts (if applicable) must accompany the application.
9. Applications must be typed.
10. **Applications must be received or postmarked by March 6, 2020 to the Henry County Farm Bureau, 128 N. Prospect Street, Cambridge, IL 61238.** Applications are available at www.henrycofarmbureau.org or email manager@henrycofarmbureau.org to obtain the scholarship application.
11. Five (5) recipients and one alternate will be selected by a committee appointed by the Henry County Farm Bureau Foundation. The five applicants with the highest score will receive the \$3,000 Keppy Foundation Scholarships. Personal interviews of the finalists may be requested by the Foundation for a final selection.
12. Criteria for selection will be financial need; achievements in agriculture activities; leadership in school, community and work experience; and scholastic achievement. Please be as specific as possible, points will be given for each question answered.
13. Names of applicants will be removed from the materials prior to evaluation by the selection committee.
14. Any portion of the scholarship that is not used for any reason will be returned to the Foundation.

(Revised 12/2019)

THE WILBERT & CAROL KEPPY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

2020 APPLICATION FORM

SUBMIT BY MARCH 6, 2020 (MUST BE TYPED)

Application # _____
(office use only)

I. Please provide the following information:

Parents' or Your Farm Bureau Membership Number: _____

Full name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State/Zip

County of Residence _____

Home Phone (_____) _____

Cell Phone (_____) _____

Email _____

Full Name of Parents or Guardian: _____

Address of Parent/Guardian: _____

High School: _____

Address: _____
Street City State/Zip

Application # _____
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High School Graduation Date: _____

Class Rank _____ Class Size _____

High School G.P.A. _____ (Convert to 4.0 scale & attach transcript of grades)

If College Student/Grade Level: _____

College G.P.A. _____ (Convert to 4.0 scale & attach transcript of grades)

Prospective or Current Major: _____

Prospective College or College Attending: _____

II. Please provide the information requested. *Be specific in your answers!*

1. Describe your parents' (or legal guardians') farming operation. (See rule #3 & #12 on page 1)

2. Describe your specific duties in the farming operation?

3. If you did not receive financial assistance, would it be difficult for you to attend college? Please explain.

4. Since this scholarship is based heavily on financial need this information **MUST** be filled out: (Information will be kept confidential.) Selected applicants will be asked to provide tax forms for verification of financial information.

a.) Please choose the category for the applicant's adjusted gross income for the past year.

- ___ Less than \$10,000
- ___ \$10,001 - \$20,000
- ___ \$20,001 - \$30,000
- ___ \$30,001 - \$40,000

b.) Please choose the category for the parents' adjusted gross income for the past year.

(Form 1040, Line 7 – from your 2019 filed return)

- ___ Less than \$40,000
- ___ \$40,000 - \$60,000
- ___ \$60,001 - \$80,000
- ___ \$80,001 - \$100,000+

5. Estimate the percent of your education expenses that will be paid for by:

- ___ % Loans/Financial Aid
- ___ % Student Income/Savings
- ___ % Parents/Guardians/Family
- ___ % Scholarships
- ___ % Other _____

6. Are you a past recipient of a Keppy Foundation Scholarship? Yes ___ No ___

(See page 1, number 5 for explanation) If "Yes" please complete the following:

<u>Year Received</u>	<u>Organization Received From</u>	<u>Amount Received</u>
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7. Are any other family members attending college? Yes ___ No ___

How many? _____

Where? _____

Scholarship amount received per person: _____

8. Indicate full or part-time work experience you have had to date:

<u>Employer's name</u>	<u>Job Description/Duties</u>	<u>Dates of Employment</u>
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1. _____	_____	_____
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2. _____	_____	_____
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3. _____	_____	_____
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4. _____	_____	_____
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III. Discuss the following as specifically as possible in the space provided below:

1. List involvement in high school, college and community activities & organizations.
(Include offices held, committee assignments, and length of membership or participation.)

2. How have you prepared yourself for your chosen career field?

3. What additional information about yourself do you wish to share that might be relevant to this application?

IV. References:

Please list below two persons whom you will request to complete a recommendation letter in support of your application. Letters are accepted from former teachers, school officials, employers, neighbors, friends, or other persons not related to you. We recommend that at least one reference be from an employer or teacher.

Letters of recommendation must be **current** (*dated within one year*) at the time of application. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that letters of recommendation are received by the deadline dates. It is advisable to mail these recommendations with this application.

Name _____

Title _____

Address _____

Name _____

Title _____

Address _____

V. Statement:

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information contained in this application is true and correct. I understand this application will not be considered for review unless it is typed, signed and dated. I also understand that the application will not be complete until two (2) letters of recommendation and my transcript(s) are received no later than March 6, 2020. It is also my understanding that **NO MATERIALS WILL BE RETURNED.**

This statement will serve as notice that if the student withdraws or drops out of school the moneys from the Foundation will be payable back to the Foundation.

Signature (Typed name by applicant counts as signature)

Date