

LEO PFEIFFER SCHOLARSHIP

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of the Leo Pfeiffer Scholarship is to enhance interest in and development of quality education of young people in agricultural and related fields.

II. FUNDING

This scholarship is funded by donations to the Mason County Farm Bureau Foundation and Central Illinois Irrigated Growers Association.

III. AMOUNT

The scholarship is to be awarded as a one-time \$1,000 amount. Payment will be made to the Financial Aid Office of the appropriate college or university for the benefit of the recipient.

IV. ELIGIBILITY

High school seniors who:

1. Are enrolled in full-time study in one of the following schools: Havana, Midwest Central, or Illini Central.
2. Are accepted at an accredited 4-year college or university or a 2-year junior college or tech school.
3. Are not immediate family members of employees or boards of Mason County Farm Bureau or Central Illinois Irrigated Growers Association.
4. Have fully completed the application and essay requirement.

V. APPLICATION, ESSAY PROCEDURES

Applications must be **filled out entirely** & information must be verifiable. Information on the application will be judged against other applications. Particular attention will be paid to the academic record, extra-curricular activities, work experience, leadership skills and achievement. Fifty percent of the overall score will be based on the application.

Essays must be original and created by the applicant. They must be typewritten, and no more than 250. The theme for 2023 is “**What role has agriculture played in your life?**” Content, adherence to the theme, grammar, spelling and punctuation will be judged. Fifty percent of the overall score is based on the essay.

VI. PROCEDURES

Applications are due via electronic form **no later than 4pm March 29th, 2024.** Hard copies are available upon request. Return to Mason County Farm Bureau, PO Box 318, Havana, IL 62644, mcfb.mgr@gmail.com, or submit via JotForm.

A selection committee, named by the Farm Bureau Manager and the Mason County Farm Bureau Foundation, will judge each application and essay.

Announcement of the winner will be made during the month of May.