

Massachusetts State Grange Educational Aid Fund
APPLICATION FOR FIRST SCHOLARSHIP

Must be Postmarked by June 25

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Phone # _____

Residential address _____

Mailing address (if different) _____

Email address _____

Subordinate/Community Grange name _____

Date you joined the Grange (Subordinate/Community) _____

Grange offices held _____

Grange committees served on _____

Name of high school and graduation date _____

Extracurricular activities and employment in and out of school (not Grange activities)

College you plan to attend: _____

Degree you are pursuing and expected graduation date _____

Profession you are preparing for _____

Do you wish to be considered for the William H. Eaton Memorial Scholarship (student must be pursuing study in the fields of agriculture, conservation or environmental science)? Enter "Yes" or "No": _____

If you wish to apply for a Thomas F. Severance Award for Outstanding Grange Service or a Harry Lucas Community Service Excellence Award, complete and attach the appropriate application form.

I CERTIFY that _____ is and has been a member in good standing of _____ Grange No. _____ for the past _____ years. I recommend him/her as worthy of a scholarship under the rules.

GRANGE

Secretary/President _____

SEAL

Date _____

Please see page 2 for application and additional materials that must be submitted with this application form.

SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

All scholarship applications must be postmarked by June 25. Recipients will be named in July and notified of the scholarship amount at that time. Checks for the awards will be payable to the student. Checks will be mailed to the recipients upon receipt of evidence indicating completion of the semester.

Only Patrons in good standing who have at least one year's membership in one or more Massachusetts Subordinate Granges on the due date of an application will be eligible for a scholarship. All scholarships are one time awards. Applications for Subsequent Scholarships may be made in succeeding years, not to exceed a total of four scholarships per student.

The following items are required and must be submitted along with the First Scholarship application:

1. Proof of enrollment in a college/university for the next academic year (acceptance letter, schedule, etc).
2. Transcript of high school record or evidence of completion of high school equivalency. Any applicant who completed one or more years of college-level study shall instead furnish a transcript of that record.
3. A personal letter in which the applicant states future educational and career goals as well as contributions made to the local Grange.
4. One letter of recommendation from a non-family member who knows the applicant well (teacher, fellow Grange member, etc.).

Completion of the Application Form is required. Failure to fully complete this application may cause for denial of a scholarship. Applications will not be considered unless they are written clearly and legible.

Applicants for a First Scholarship can opt to be considered for the William H. Eaton Memorial Scholarship. This award is competitive and open to students pursuing study in the fields of agriculture, conservation or environmental science. Applicants wishing to be considered for this award must indicate their interest on the Application Form; no additional form is needed.

Applicants may also choose to apply for the Thomas F. Severance Award for Outstanding Grange Service and/or the Harry Lucas Community Service Excellence Award. These special awards are awarded in addition to the recipients' First or Subsequent Scholarship and recipients may only receive each award once. Additional application forms are required to apply for these awards.

Since the Board of Trustees cannot meet the applicant, please make all this information as comprehensive as possible.

Additional information on scholarships and Educational Aid Fund policies can be found at <https://www.massgrange.org/educational-aid>.

Application Forms and all supplementary materials must be postmarked by June 25 and mailed to:

Educational Aid Fund
Nancy M. Blackmer, Secretary
77 Burrill Avenue
Orange, MA 01364-1815