



# Cooperative Farmers Elevator AAS Ag Program Sponsorship Guidelines

## 2-Year ACADEMIC Award

---

**Application Due Date: June 1, 2021**

Cooperative Farmers Elevator is offering (3) three 2-year full tuition sponsorships to any high school seniors pursuing an Associates of Applied Science Ag degree at a participating technical college. CFE supports deserving students who have a passion for agriculture, a desire to attain their educational goals and driven to succeed to their fullest ability.

### **Student Eligibility:**

- High school senior, graduating mid-term or in the spring
- Legal U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Must major in the AAS Ag program at a participating technical college
  - Dordt University Pro-Tech, Sioux Center, Iowa
    - Farm Operations & Management, AAS Degree
  - DMACC (Des Moines Area Community College), Des Moines, Iowa
    - Agribusiness, AAS Degree
  - Ellsworth Community College, Iowa Falls, Iowa
    - Agribusiness, AAS Degree
    - Precision Agriculture, AAS Degree
  - Iowa Lakes Community College, Emmetsburg, Iowa
    - AgProduction Technology, AAS Degree
    - Agribusiness Technology, AAS Degree
  - Minnesota West Community College, Worthington, Minnesota
    - Agriculture Business Management, AAS Degree
  - Mitchell Technical College, Mitchell, South Dakota
    - Agronomy, AAS Degree
    - Precision Ag Technology, AAS Degree
  - Northwest Iowa Community College, Sheldon, Iowa
    - Agriculture (Online), AAS Degree
  - Western Iowa Tech Community College, Sioux City, Iowa
    - Agriculture, Diploma
    - Agribusiness Technology, AAS Degree

**Selection Process:** Sponsorship recipients shall be determined by an internal CFE committee. This sponsorship will be based on leadership, character, and community involvement.

Final candidates must be present for a personal interview with the sponsorship committee. **You will be contacted via email to set up an interview so please check the email you have provided in this application regularly.**

**Distributing the Awards:** Sponsorship awards will be presented to the winners at the school's awards ceremony by a CFE representative. School counselors will be notified following candidate selection process by a CFE sponsorship committee member.

Funds will be disbursed to the college directly following registration and receiving a copy of the completion of the registration. The award is applied to all (4) four semesters of the AAS Ag Degree.

**Requirements:** Sponsorship recipients must complete the AAS Ag program in person or online. Recipients will be scheduled for part-time employment or complete their on-the-job training (OJT) during the duration of the program to gain hands on experience and knowledge. Recipients shall remain employed for (3) three years minimum following graduation.

**Mailing Instructions:** Postmark by: June 1, 2021

Cooperative Farmers Elevator

AAS Ag Program Sponsorship

PO Box 37

Rock Valley, IA 51247

Or email [scholarships@coopfe.com](mailto:scholarships@coopfe.com)

All questions should be directed to Sarah Ranschau, HR Director at 712-451-6280 or [hr@coopfe.com](mailto:hr@coopfe.com).

**Application Checklist:**

- Complete application
- 2 (two) letters of recommendations
- 1 (one) Essay; 2 pages maximum
  - 12-point font, single spaced
- Academic verification

**Specific Instructions:** Failure to enclose all the required information, sign the application or meet the deadline date will result in disqualification.

**“PASSIONATELY DRIVING SUCCESS IN EVERYTHING WE DO FOR OUR CUSTOMERS, EMPLOYEES, AND COMMUNITIES.”**



## Cooperative Farmers Elevator AAS Ag Program Applicant Essay

The sponsorship committee of CFE has been entrusted with the task of deciding which candidates will be awarded a 2-year full tuition sponsorship.

On a separate sheet, prepare your essay. Include your name and CFE AAS Ag Sponsorship Application Essay at the top of the pages. Your signature is required at the end of the essay. Two pages maximum, *please use 12-point font, single spaced.*

To help us make this important decision regarding your future, please tell us about yourself. Include any information you think will assist the committee in its consideration of you. Tell us in detail about yourself and your:

- family
- job
- community involvement
- agricultural experience
- volunteer work
- curricular and extra-curricular involvement at school
- aspirations and goals in life

Why should the CFE Sponsorship Committee select you as a sponsorship recipient?



# Cooperative Farmers Elevator AAS Ag Program Application

2-Year ACADEMIC Award

---

**Application Due Date: June 1, 2021**

Cooperative Farmers Elevator is offering (3) three 2-year full tuition sponsorships to any high school seniors pursuing an Associates of Applied Science Ag degree at a participating technical college.

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street, PO Box, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Mother Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Father Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name and Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Guidance Counselor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

College or Technical School you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street, PO Box, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of hometown newspaper: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## APPLICANT AGREEMENT:

---

*Please read carefully; By signing this agreement, it is agreed that I have read the CFE Sponsorship guidelines and fully understand the terms and conditions.*

I agree that this sponsorship application is valid and includes my own words and thoughts. If awarded a CFE Sponsorship, I give CFE permission to disclose my name, photo, and video in any sponsorship publicity.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the CFE Sponsorship? \_\_\_\_\_