



PACIFIC NORTHWEST GRAIN & FEED ASSOCIATION

Scholarship Application

Dear Student:

The members of Pacific Northwest Grain & Feed Association are pleased to announce our plans to award multiple scholarships to qualified applicants who are either working for, or have family members working with, our regional industry.

As the cost of college education continues to increase, obtaining an advanced education is becoming harder to achieve. Our scholarship program is dedicated to helping top students reach their academic potential and career goals, while responding to the financial pressures placed on their families.

To qualify for this award, applicants must be high school seniors, college freshmen and/or sophomores, who have either been accepted, or are currently enrolled in a 2- or 4-year accredited college or university, and connected with our grain and feed Direct membership in some way. Previous recipients of the PNWGFA Scholarship are not eligible to apply again. The deadline for applying for these awards is April 5, 2024, so act now!

****REMINDER**** In recent years, the Board added the PNWGFA Ag Leader Scholarship, which is awarded to deserving candidates actively pursuing education and a career in an agricultural field. Other scholarships in various fields will also be considered.

Applications must be postmarked (or electronically dated) no later than April 5, 2024.

The 2024 scholarship application is currently in a PDF fillable format. We hope to publish an online version on www.pnwgfa.org in the future. The onus falls upon the student to ensure all required sections are correctly submitted and received by PNWGFA prior to the stated deadline. This includes verification of the Direct Member (who must be a PNWGFA member). Partial applications will not be considered.

The recipients of the Pacific Northwest Grain & Feed Association Scholarship grants will be notified by the end of May 2024 (via phone and/or email). Special recognition to the membership will be given at the Annual Convention June 18, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Recipients are welcome, but not required, to attend this event.

I sincerely hope you will take advantage of this scholarship program by submitting your application today. We wish you success in achieving your educational goals, and offer our assistance. The next step will be yours. Good Luck!



Ken Anderson, Shaver Transportation Company
2024 Scholarship Committee Chairman
Pacific Northwest Grain & Feed Association

Instructions:

Following these five steps will improve your chances of being selected as a scholarship recipient:

1. Type or print the application.
2. Complete and return application as soon as possible. The application deadline is April 5, 2024.
3. Scholarship awards are based on the applicant's GPA, Work Experience and Leadership Qualities, and Applicant's Statement, with a possible total of 100 points. Failure to complete one or more sections of the application will likely disqualify your application. (*See Eligibility and Application Procedure sections below.)
4. Use the space provided, and be as concise as possible. Within reason, additional information may be included on supplemental sheets.
5. Recipients of the scholarship awards will be notified by the Association by the end of May 2024. Funds will be sent to the scholastic institutions within five weeks of the start of the school year. All applicants will receive notification via letter by mid-June of the scholarship year.

Eligibility (*[please note this important criteria](#)*)

All Direct members in good standing with the Pacific Northwest Grain & Feed Association:

1. Immediate family members of a **Direct member**. ***Direct Members**: This category includes the country grain elevator companies, feed and flour milling operations and export grain merchandising firms throughout the Pacific Northwest. Direct members are assessed annual membership dues based on the company's annual gross annual sales volume. A list of current members is listed on the [website](#).
2. Employee and/or a legal dependent of a **Direct Member**.
3. Owner/Patrons (farmers/members), or their legal dependents, of a **Direct Member** firm. A list of current **Direct Members** is listed on the website - please take the time to verify a PNWGFA **Direct Member**.
4. All candidates must have received a letter of acceptance or be enrolled in an accredited college, university or community college. Consideration will be given to, but not limited to students who have chosen a career in some area of agriculture, business, home economics or vocational education.
5. Applicants may only be awarded a PNWGFA Scholarship once; previous winners not eligible again.

Application Procedure:

The following must be submitted by April 5, 2024:

1. Complete Scholarship Application (including all required statement pieces).
2. *A letter of introduction and recommendation from a [PNWGFA Direct Member](#) in good standing.

Selection Process:

1. The scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, potential to succeed, demonstrated leadership, extracurricular accomplishments, work experience and an evaluation by a counselor or advisor.
2. All recipients must enter school no later than the fall term following the announcement of the scholarship.

Email (preferred), fax or mail your application to margerie@pnwgfa.org, or
Pacific Northwest Grain & Feed Association
9600 SW Oak St., Ste 565
Tigard, Oregon 97223
ph: (503) 227-0234 ♦ fax: (503) 253-9172

Note: Before completing, read all instructions.
 Please do not place the application in any type of binder or cover.
 Please do not include pictures. This form may be photocopied.
 Application **MUST** be post marked (or electronically dated) by April 5, 2024, in order to be considered.

I. Student Information / Education & Career Goals (*ALL fields in this section are required)

Name _____ Gender: Female ___ Male ___ DOB: _____
 (First, Middle, Last) (MM/DD/YY)

Address _____
 (Street) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone Number _____
 (Main / Cell Phone) (Alternative Phone) (Email Address) (Alternate Email Address)

1. Date you enrolled in college/plan to enroll in college: _____

2. Name of college you attend/you plan to attend: _____

* Student ID Number _____

* Degree you plan to pursue (B.S./B.A., etc.) _____

* Indicate your probable area of study/major (be specific) _____

3. Briefly state your future career plans: _____

II. Work Experience Points: 15

1. Describe your work experience (list a minimum of two). Use supplemental sheet if necessary.

Month/Year	Employer	Duties/Responsibilities

III Grade Point Average (High School & College)

Points: 15

Applicant Name _____

(Important Note: Base GPA on A = 4.0. If scale is other than A = 4.0, please convert to a 4.0 scale)

We certify that the below information is correct. (At Least One Signature is required.)

_____ High School Cumulative GPA _____ (School Name)

GPA High School Principal: _____ Date: _____

High School Guidance Counselor: _____ Date: _____

_____ College Cumulative GPA _____ (Institution Name)

GPA Admissions Office: _____ Date: _____

College Advisor: _____ Date: _____

IV. (a.) Leadership Activities

Points: 20

List leadership activities and the level of participation in each (office held, assignments, awards, contests). These may include class offices, club activities, extracurricular student activities, civic organizations or church groups. (Additional activities may be listed on an separate sheet.)

Activity	Local/ Chapter Year(s)	Area/District Year(s)	State Year(s)	National Year(s)

IV. (b.) Community Involvement

Points: 10

List a minimum of four other activities that were helpful in making you a more considerate, involved and contributing individual. (Do not duplicate items listed in section IV, a.)

Activity	Year(s)

V. Instructor Statement _____

Points: 15

(Instructor Name / School)

To Advisor/Instructor/Counselor: Please use this space to provide your evaluation of the applicant's achievements, contributions and dedication as a student. Please be specific - your knowledge and/or investment in this student will be weighted in total scoring. If you require additional space, you may attach a supplemental sheet. In addition, please indicate special circumstances, such as financial need, which should be considered. This section must be completed scholarship consideration.

I certify that the information provided in this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date _____ Phone No. _____

VI. Applicant's Statement

Points: 25

In the space below (or supplemental sheet), share your career plans and why you are choosing the identified studies/ career path. Why is your career path important to you? What life experiences have impacted and prepared you for your future? How will receiving a PNWGFA scholarship assist in achieving your goals?

VII. Signatures of Applicant & Parent/Guardian

We certify that all information given on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of our knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name Print/Typed _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

VIII. PNWGFA Member Introduction & Recommendation (Required)

Referred by PNWGFA Direct Member Company: _____

(Company Name)

Letter of introduction & recommendation from a PNWGFA Direct member in good standing.
(Letter may be mailed, emailed or faxed separately.)