



Anselmo-Merna FFA Chapter Scholarship Annual Scholarship Information

Scholarship History

The Anselmo-Merna FFA Chapter Scholarship was created in 2018 to provide opportunities for Anselmo-Merna FFA members who graduate and wish to continue their studies in a post-secondary setting. Up to five (5) \$200 scholarships will be awarded annually to any four-year FFA member pursuing postsecondary studies.

Anselmo-Merna Public Schools and the A-M Foundation thank the Anselmo-Merna FFA Chapter for their generous support of our students and their futures!

I. Qualifications

- A. The student must be a graduate of Anselmo-Merna High School and fill out the A-M Foundation Scholarship Application noting they are applying for the Anselmo-Merna FFA Chapter Scholarship.
- B. The student must be a four-year member of FFA and earned his/her State Degree. **The applicant must provide evidence of these qualifications in his/her application.**

II. Selection of Recipient

- A. Student must complete and file an application form with the Foundation's selection committee by March 1st.
- B. Recipient must be a current graduate of Anselmo-Merna High School.
- C. The student must be a four-year member of FFA and earned his/her State Degree. The applicant must provide evidence of these qualifications in his/her application. **Note: If more than five students apply, a**

preference will be given to students who held an office or are pursuing a degree in agriculture.

- D. The A-M Foundation selection committee shall serve as the selecting committee. If a son, daughter, brother, or sister of a selection committee member is an applicant, that member will not serve on the selecting committee. The committee will:
- a. Study completed application forms
 - b. Designate recipient
 - c. Assure scholarship will be applied to school expenses
- III. General Organization of the Scholarship
- A. Total amount of the scholarship will be \$200.
 - B. The recipient will not have to return any of the scholarship money received as it is not a loan or repayment scholarship. The recipient will, however, be required to refund the face value of the scholarship if one semester of full-time study is not completed and recorded at his/her respective schools.
 - C. Returned/unused scholarship funds will automatically be placed back into the scholarship account for future awards to other students.
 - D. The scholarship will be presented at the graduation ceremony each year.
 - E. The recipient may attend any school of higher learning approved by the State Department of Education or a State Board whose duty is to approve vocational schools. There must be evidence that the recipient has enrolled in school, and the scholarship must be used in either the first or second semester of the recipient's first year in college.
- IV. Other Considerations
- A. If serious extenuating circumstances which make it impossible for the recipient(s) to fulfill Part III B, and/or E, the Foundation will have the right to make reasonable exceptions.
 - B. A student is required to write a thank you letter to the scholarship sponsor. A copy of this letter must be sent to the Foundation at the mailing address provided by July 1st.