



BRUCE AND CARLENE PATTERSON SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: Annually on March 15th and October 15th

ABOUT: The Bruce & Carlene Patterson Educational Fund provides funding for individuals pursuing educational degrees or training programs in agriculture and related fields. In addition to post-secondary education, the fund provides scholarships for individuals working in agriculture and beginning farmers and ranchers to expand their technical and business skills.

OBJECTIVE: Grants from this fund are awarded based on need and an individual's potential impact on the agricultural community. Students pursuing an education in agriculture and related fields, as well as individuals wishing to improve their knowledge of agriculture and ag-business are encouraged to apply.

Scholarship funds may be used for:

- Post-secondary degrees or training programs in agriculture and related fields.
- Non-degree training programs focused on transferable skills that relate to agriculture or ag-business.
- Educational trainings or conferences focused on general business or finance topics that can be used to improve an individual's farming or ranching operations.
- Educational trainings or conferences focused on agricultural topics.

APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS:

1. Applicant must be a United States citizen and resident of Portage County, Ohio.
2. Applicant must meet at least one of the following
 - a. Be a high school graduate enrolled in, or with plans to enroll in, a post-secondary degree or training program in agriculture or related fields.
 - b. Be currently employed in agriculture or related fields, with plans to pursue training or educational programs in agriculture or related fields.
 - c. Beginning farmer with plans to pursue training or educational programs in agriculture or related fields.
3. Traditional students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5.
4. There are no age restrictions.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- Scholarship awards are typically between \$500 - \$2,000 and are provided for a one-year period. Individuals are limited to one submission per application period. Funding is renewable through the application process.
- The number of grants and their amounts is decided semi-annually by the scholarship advisory committee.
- Scholarships funds may be paid:
 - Directly to the applicant after submission of a transcript or tuition statement. (Proof of GPA is required)
 - Directly to the applicant for reimbursement of qualified expenses as outlined during the scholarship process.

Please note: When filling out the application answer as many of the questions as possible. Please mark any question that does not apply with N/A.

Bruce & Carlene Patterson Scholarship Fund Application

I am:

A high school graduate enrolled in, or with plans to enroll in, a post-secondary degree or training program in agriculture or related fields.

Currently employed in agriculture or related fields, with plans to pursue training or educational programs in agriculture or related fields.

A beginning farmers with plans to pursue training or educational programs in agriculture or related fields.

Applicant Information:

Name:

Birthdate:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone number:

Cell phone:

Email:

Are you a Portage County resident? (yes/no)

Citizen of the United States? (yes/no)

Are you or your family current Farm Bureau members? (yes/no)

Educational goals and Occupational objectives:

Intended Field of Study: _____ School: _____

List annual tuition and fees: \$

(Current occupation)

Please describe how scholarship funds will be used:

Current education: (If you are currently a student **-you must attach a copy** of your High School **and** College transcript.

Schools attended:

From To

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Employment History: list employers and employment dates beginning with most recent

From To

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

List current job skills include duties and positions held:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Other activities: list organizations, duties and offices held:

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)
- 4)

Description of your goals: (350 words or less)

Are you available for an in- person interview? (yes/no) List best times

Please attach a current photograph

References:

Please list at least three references (Personal or Professional) and must include contact information:

Reference Type	Name	Address	Phone
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1)

2)

3)

4)

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

Applicant signature

Date

LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. Applications must be received by or postmarked by March 15th or Oct 15th of each year to be considered by the Scholarship committee.

NOTE: Please make sure application is sent to Portage County Farm Bureau office in a timely manner.

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