



2024 North Carolina Watermelon Association Bunch & Etheridge Memorial Scholarship

The North Carolina Watermelon Association is pleased to support youth with an interest in agriculture through the Bunch & Etheridge Memorial Scholarship. Up to three \$1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded to qualified applicants for 2024.

Procedures

Scholarship application forms may be obtained by contacting (see below) or online at ncmelons.com:

North Carolina Watermelon Association
PO Box 55820 ▪ Raleigh, NC 27658
Phone: 336.583.9630 ▪ Email: ncwatermelon1975@gmail.com

Applications should postmarked and mailed to the Raleigh office no later than **February 10, 2024**. Upon receipt, the applications will be reviewed by the Bunch & Etheridge Scholarship Committee. Winners will be selected by February 19, 2024. A check will be awarded to the winner's college or university after he/she presents evidence of enrollment as a full-time student in accordance with the guidelines. In the event that the winner fails to meet enrollment requirements by September 30, 2024 the award will be forfeited.

Qualifications

1. Applicant must be a North Carolina high school senior enrolling in a college/university for undergraduate studies in the fall of 2024. Your intended major must be agriculture or related to agriculture (i.e. agronomy, horticulture, forestry, aquaculture, animal science, ag business, ag economics, ag engineering, etc.).
2. A copy of the applicant's high school transcripts must accompany the completed application form.

Instructions

Completely answer all application question. Submit application along with high school transcript and essay. At the end of the application, you will find two evaluation forms for letters of reference. Each applicant should have two personal letters of reference. Letters may be emailed to ncwatermelon1975@gmail.com or mailed to the to the North Carolina Watermelon Association, PO Box 55820, Raleigh, NC 27658.

February 10, 2024 is the absolute deadline for mailing all applications, transcript and reference letters. Materials postmarked after this date will disqualify application from consideration.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Biographical Background

Name _____

Home Address _____

School Address _____

Cell Phone _____ Email address _____

Birth date _____ Years in 4-H _____ FFA _____

Name of High School Attended _____

Name of College/University you plan to attend _____

Major _____

The following questions are intended to provide added insight into the applicant's personal experiences. No applicant will be discriminated against on the basis of personal relations, nor on the basis of race, sex or religion.

Parents (Guardians) _____

Where do you reside: farm _____ suburban area _____ urban area _____

If on a farm, what crops / livestock are grown or produced?

Project/Activity Background

List associations and clubs of which you are currently a member:

Describe involvement current and past (including leadership positions held, honors and awards earned) for the following:

4-H, FFA and other Ag organizations

School organizations

Church & Civic Groups

Briefly summarize your experiences related to North Carolina Agriculture.

Briefly describe your ambitions and goals.

****Required: Write a short essay on a separate page explaining why you deserve this scholarship and how you will be involved with agriculture in the future.**

Personal Reference

Name of applicant _____

How long have you known applicant _____

Describe your association with applicant. _____

Candid appraisal of applicant's abilities, background, character, strengths, weaknesses, etc.

Signed _____

Title _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Personal Reference

Name of applicant _____

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Describe your association with applicant _____

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Signed _____

Title _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Application Submission Check List

- ☐ **Deadline: February 10, 2024**
 - ☐ Return application to the NC Watermelon Association
PO Box 55820 ▪ Raleigh, NC 27658
 - ☐ Include completed application form
 - ☐ Include Essay
 - ☐ Include High School Transcript
 - ☐ Provide 2 Personal References also emailed or mailed to the NC Watermelon Association by February 10, 2024
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