



Lake County Winegrape Commission's "Future of Agriculture" Scholarship

On behalf of Lake County winegrape growers, the Lake County Winegrape Commission is offering a scholarship program – "Future of Agriculture" – open to Lake County graduating high school seniors who will attend college in the 2023-2024 academic year. The Lake County Winegrape Commission (LCWC) will award one \$5,000 scholarship to assist a graduating high school student to offset tuition and school supplies.

Eligibility

One scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student enrolled full-time at a four-year university in a program of study that will enable the student to contribute to the winegrape segment of the agriculture industry. Preference may be given to those who will study viticulture, enology, plant pathology, crop science, sustainable agriculture, agribusiness, public policy, political science, or a related field from a four-year university.

Applicant must be a graduating high school senior from a high school located in Lake County, California, with permanent residency in a Lake County school district for at least two years. Immediate relatives of LCWC Board Members or employees are not eligible.

Application Process

To be considered, submit a complete, signed application packet by mail to:

**Lake County Winegrape Commission, Attn: Scholarship Program
3865 Main Street, Kelseyville, CA 95451**

A complete application packet consists of:

- ✓ Completed, signed application
- ✓ 250-word essay
- ✓ Signed, sealed official copy of high school transcript
- ✓ Copy of parents'/guardians' most recent Federal 1040 tax return (first two pages only with social security numbers blacked out)
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation

Application packets must be postmarked **no later than Friday, April 7, 2023.**

Selection and Award

Award selection is based on the student's financial need, academic achievement, and demonstrated interest in agriculture through ag-related activities, community service programs, and/or employment in an ag-related field.

The LCWC Community/Industry Relations Committee will review and rate applications and conduct finalist interviews. The Commission's Board of Directors will make the final award selection. The decision is final; there is no appeal. Funds will be awarded via check to the student upon submission of first university report card.

Questions: Debra Sommerfield, LCWC President, debras@lakecountywinegrape.org

**Lake County Winegrape Commission's "Future of Agriculture" Scholarship
2023 Application Form**

Applicant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

High School: _____ **Final Projected GPA (GPA):** _____

How long have you lived in Lake County? _____

Please list all activities, organizations, clubs, community service groups, and volunteering that you have participated in during your high school career (indicate how many years for each):

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Did you work during high school (e.g., job, internship, apprenticeship)? ___ Yes ___ No

If yes, please describe: _____

What university do you plan to attend? _____

What course of study have you chosen? _____

- ★ **ESSAY PROMPT:** On a separate page, please describe your experience with and/or interest in agriculture and how this has influenced your future ambitions and career choice. (250 words)

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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