

**AGRI-BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Since 1990, the Portage County Business Council has been able to award scholarships from money raised at the Annual SPUD BOWL event. Criteria for consideration of an Agri-Business Scholarship requires the following:

1. The recipient must be a resident of Portage County.
2. The recipient must properly complete the formal application.
3. The recipient's course of study must be in an agricultural related field.
4. The recipient must have a least a high school senior ranking.
5. The recipient must meet the entry requirements of the selected accredited Wisconsin school of higher education (grade point average, etc.);

**OR**

6. The recipient must attend an accredited Wisconsin school of higher education as a full-time student.

Other criteria include extracurricular activities and community service. Recipients are selected from applications submitted to the Portage Council Business Council office.

Some of the information requested may be considered personal or confidential. You may choose not to provide such information; however, the selection committee making granting decisions requests information on your financial status since Agri-Business Scholarships may be partially based on financial need.

You are encouraged to complete the scholarship application form in a professional manner. Remember, the application may be the only representation of you that a selection committee has a chance to see. Typing the form may be to your advantage. Be thorough, accurate and neat when completing the application with extra care given to grammar and spelling in the narrative.

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I hereby authorize the release of any information contained in my Agri-Business Scholarship application for the purpose of obtaining a scholarship.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORMS TO:**  
Portage County Business Council  
5501 Vern Holmes Drive, Stevens Point, WI 54482  
FAX (715) 344-4473 Website: [www.portagecountybiz.com](http://www.portagecountybiz.com)



## II. EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

Employment during the past four (4) years:

Year	Employer	Position/Responsibilities
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

## III. EDUCATION AND ACTIVITIES

1. High School(s) Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Year(s): \_\_\_\_\_

2. Extracurricular Activities. Indicate only those in which you were especially active, held office, chaired, etc. Please add more sheets if necessary. Give the name of a reference in that organization who is familiar with contributions you have made:

a. Major related (List organization and extent of activities):

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_

b. School related (other than above):

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_

c. Other (National or State, Boy or Girl Scouts, Church, etc.):

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_

## IV. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. Marital status: Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ No. of children \_\_\_\_\_

2. Father's employer \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's employer \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_  
Guardian's employer \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

3. Are you now or have you ever been employed on the work study program at your school? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you eligible for work study? \_\_\_\_\_

**V. FINANCIAL NEED**

*(Confidential Information for use by Scholarship Selection Committee only)*

1. Percent of school expenses earned or must earn: \_\_\_\_\_

Freshman Year \_\_\_\_\_ %    Sophomore Year \_\_\_\_\_ %  
Junior Year \_\_\_\_\_ %    Senior Year \_\_\_\_\_ %

2. Sources of income (check those applicable):

Parents or Guardian: \_\_\_\_    Scholarships: \_\_\_\_    Grants: \_\_\_\_  
Loans: \_\_\_\_    Employment: \_\_\_\_    Other: \_\_\_\_

3. Explain your financial needs: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**VI. SCHOLARSHIPS & HONORS**

1. Please list previous scholarship or merit awards and other honors received while attending school. *(Include honorary society memberships):*

Year	Name	Amount

2. List any honors or awards received during school and/or college:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**VII. REFERENCES**

1. List three (3) persons (not related to you) who know you and/or your need. We suggest that you include at least one person not from your school.

(1)	_____	_____	_____
	Name	Address	Phone
(2)	_____	_____	_____
	Name	Address	Phone
(3)	_____	_____	_____
	Name	Address	Phone

**VIII.** Describe the factors/individuals that influenced your decision to pursue a career in agri-business.

**IX.** What are your career objectives and personal goals following graduation?

PLEASE ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NEEDED.