



AMERICAN AGRI-WOMEN DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAN AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Jean Ibendahl Scholarship (for ages 18-23)
- Sister Thomas More Bertels Scholarship (for ages 24+)

Daughters of American Agriculture Scholarship was created to honor the memory of those courageous and adventuresome pioneer women who played such an important role in the founding of this nation and encourage the present generation to continue their education in agricultural pursuits.

These two scholarships are available to any farm, ranch or agribusiness woman or her daughter to pursue accredited courses in agriculture leadership, communications, rural sociology, medicine, or any other courses directly related to agriculture.

The Jean Ibendahl scholarship was initiated in 1991 by AAW member and educator, Jean Ibendahl of Tamaroa, Illinois. It was later supported by a generous endowment of \$10,000 by Jean and her husband Calvin. It is further maintained by donations by AAW member and affiliates. This scholarship is available to high school graduates and women aged 18-23.

The Sister Thomas More Bertels scholarship was begun in 1991 to honor a founding mother of AAW. Sister T. More Bertels was a history teacher at Silver Lake College in Manitowoc, WI. She traveled the United States and Canada extolling the virtues of agriculture and empowering producers to realize their potential. This scholarship is available to women who are returning students in agriculture and are 24 years old or older.

Both scholarships are for \$1,000. Applications for each scholarship are to be received between March 1 and June 1. They must be postmarked by **June 1st** of each year.

CRITERIA FOR AWARD:

- Scholarship money will be used for tuition.
- Scholarship awards will be granted only once per individual.

ELIGIBILITY:

- Must be a farmer, rancher or be the wife, daughter or other close relative of a farmer, rancher or other person employed in agriculture.
- There must be an economic or financial need.
- Knowledge of or work experience in agriculture.
- Grade Point Average or placement tests are considered. Scholarship funds may be used for tuition for recognized courses in agriculture leadership, technology, communications, education, rural sociology, medicine or other courses directly related to agriculture and the needs in agricultural communities.
- **Three letters of reference need to be provided with the application.**
- Please type and mail to AAW Foundation, PO Box 103, Baileyville IL 61007

- Complete typed applications must be postmarked no later than **June 1st** of the current year. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Results will be posted on the AAW website no later than August 1 of the current year. Only recipients will be notified personally. www.americanagriwomen.org
- If selected, please submit how this scholarship has benefitted you to foundation@americanagriwomen.org.

1. Write a typewritten, one page essay on why you want this scholarship. Please attach your essay to this application.

References

Please list names, addresses, and occupations of THREE personal/business references and include a letter of recommendation from each reference listed:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

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I believe that farm, ranch and agribusiness women play an indomitable role in the industry of agriculture. We are endowed with a work ethic, and invincible spirit and a devotion to family and mankind. I believe the nation’s strength lies in perpetuating our goals and ambitions as we strive to enhance our way to life in business and social partnerships within our families, our communities and our world. I will support these endeavors and do everything within my power to bring them to fruition.

I agree that this application and all attachments may be used for the purpose of evaluation and selection by the American Agri-Women Foundation Scholarship Committee and/or representative designated by said committee.

I also state that all information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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