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South Central FS 2024 Scholarship Program Application

South Central FS will cover the costs of in-district tuition and fees each semester for a student attending a 2-year junior college or equivalent vocational program of their choice. Following graduation, scholarship recipients will be guaranteed full-time employment with a minimum requirement of being employed with South Central FS for 2 years. Students have the option to work on breaks, as available, during their school years. Recipients of this scholarship will be selected based on work ethic, attitude, character, teamwork and desire to work in agriculture. Scholarship winners must also work for South Central FS during any Supervised Occupational Experience (SOE) programs if required for their degree. This is available only to high school seniors graduating in 2024. **Children of South Central FS employees are not eligible.**

To be considered, you must submit this application form, two letters of recommendation, and your high school transcripts and current grades. **All materials must be postmarked by November 30, 2023**, and mailed to Carrie Harshman, South Central FS, P.O. Box 629, Effingham, IL, 62401, or emailed to charshman@southcentralfs.com. Any application missing materials will not be considered. Applications will be reviewed, and interviews will be conducted to finalize winners. Scholarship winners will be notified in early January 2024.

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	Date of Birth
Address	City	State	Zip Code
Phone Number		Email Address	
Name of Parents/Guardians		Parent/Guardian Phone Number	
Parents Address (if different)	City	State	Zip Code
High School Name			
College Planning to Attend		Field of Study	
<p>Which of the following opportunities are you most interested gaining experience in? Mark all that apply.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sales/Marketing- Those pursuing a 2 or 4-year degree and interested in on-farm sales of agricultural products such as seed, fertilizer, precision farming, or energy products such as fuel, oil, propane, etc.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Operations/Custom Application- Those pursuing a 2-year agricultural degree or vocational program and interested in hands-on work in operating equipment, handling product and applying products on farms.</p>			
<p>Where did you find out about this scholarship program?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> School Counselor <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher <input type="checkbox"/> Friend/Family <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____</p>			



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4. What do you think are the necessary skills, abilities, or attitudes to possess in order to work effectively at South Central FS and how do you demonstrate those currently?

5. Describe any activities or work experience you have been involved in during high school or elsewhere that demonstrate your leadership skills and abilities.

6. Why should you be selected to receive this scholarship?