



## UNITED TO GROW FAMILY AGRICULTURE

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the National Farmers Union Foundation Hubert K. and JoAnn Seymour Scholarship.

Please read the application materials thoroughly. Attached you will find:

**Information sheet** that discusses eligibility requirements, award criteria, amount of scholarship, deadline for your application, and a list of required documents (i.e., application form, a copy of your high school transcript, two letters of recommendation and your essay) to submit for consideration.

**Application form** to be completed fully.

If you have questions regarding any of the enclosed materials, please call me at (202) 554-1600 or email me at [Melissamiller@nfudc.org](mailto:Melissamiller@nfudc.org). We look forward to receiving your application.

Best wishes,

Melissa Miller  
Education Director  
National Farmers Union

**\*\*Note\*\***

*Please do not submit materials electronically. Submit all materials at one time. However, if transcripts need to be sent directly from your school, make a note on your application.*



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### Hubert K. & JoAnn Seymour

Hubert K. Seymour was a leader in Farmers Union throughout his life at both the state and national levels. He served the Illinois Farmers Union as secretary-treasurer for eight years and vice president for 12 years before he resigned in 1990. At the national level, he served and participated in a variety of ways. Seymour traveled each year to the National Farmers Union Convention to hear the premier agricultural speakers, voice his concerns, and offer solutions to the challenges family farmers faced.

Seymour was actively involved in the politics of agriculture and dedicated to the fight for parity. In addition to the leadership provided within Farmers Union, Seymour served on numerous agricultural advisory boards within the state of Illinois and on an advisory committee under former President Jimmy Carter's Administration. Throughout his service as a leader, he did much to promote and protect the rights of family farmers throughout the United States.

Hubert K. Seymour, married to JoAnn, farmed full-time until he became ill and died in 1994 at the age of 72. He is remembered with great affection and this scholarship is the family's way of paying a living tribute to their parents' dedication, hard work, and commitment to Farmers Union and the family farmer.

**Eligibility:**

Open to all graduating high school seniors who are continuing their education in either a two-year or four-year accredited college or university for any area of study. Must be a Farmers Union member.

**Award Criteria:**

Academic record of student. Social and community activities.

Typed essay on the topic: Significance of rural values in America and on your life.

Possible phone interview with finalists.

**Amount:**

One or two scholarships will be awarded ranging from \$1000 to \$2000 total with the money to be used for tuition and books.

**Application Deadline: April 1**(postmark date – do not submit electronically)

Recipient will be selected and announced by July 31

**Materials to be returned:**

- Completed, typed application form.
- Copy of your high school transcript, please send this attached with your application (if this can only be sent directly from your school, note this on your application).
- Two letters of recommendation: one from a Farmers Union leader of your choice and one from a school counselor or teacher.
- Essay must be three pages, double-spaced, and 12-point Times New Roman font with one-inch margins.

All essays will be judged on creativity, content, spelling and grammar.

- Please do not staple your application or essay.

**Return application materials to:**

NFU Attn: Melissa Miller  
20 F Street NW Suite 300  
Washington DC 20001



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## Hubert K. and JoAnn Seymour Scholarship Application

Name (first) \_\_\_\_\_ Middle I. \_\_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

Name that Farmers Union membership is in (i.e., yours, parent) \_\_\_\_\_

State of Farmers Union Membership \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years that your family has been involved with Farmers Union \_\_\_\_\_

School activities

Community/social activities

Hobbies/Interests

Please outline your career goals and your planned course of study and briefly describe why you have chosen this path. Describe any special circumstances.

Name and address of  
high school you are currently attending.

Name, address and phone number of the  
college or school you will be attending.

By signing my name, I acknowledge that this information is complete and accurate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed by

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Don't forget your essay, transcripts and letters of recommendation.**