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** containing basic information about the scholarship including 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 electronically or printed then typed manually.

If you have questions regarding any of the enclosed materials, please call me at (202) 314-3104 or e-mail me at Scampbell@nfudc.org. We look forward to receiving your application.

Best wishes,

Sarah Campbell
Education Director
National Farmers Union

**Note** If you are using Adobe Reader you will not be able to save changes to the form on your computer. If you are using a full version of Adobe Acrobat you should be able to use the Save As command to keep a completed copy of the form on your computer. When the form is complete please print two (2) copies – one for your records and one to mail to National Farmers Union.

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.
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 stepped down 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 also served on a number of 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. He is remembered with great affection and this scholarship represents his outstanding service.

Hubert K. Seymour, married to JoAnn, farmed full-time until he became ill and died in 1994 at the age of 72. 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 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:** March 4, 2016 (postmark date – do not submit electronically)
Recipient will be selected and announced by August 15, 2016

**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: Identify and discuss the significance of rural values in America and on your life.

Essays must be three pages, double-spaced, 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: Sarah Campbell 20 F Street NW Suite 300
Washington DC 20001
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.