



Ellsworth Cooperative Creamery Scholarship Application

Due: March 31, 2026

- **Applications must be typed and filled out completely. Be concise and do not add pages.**
- **If you are currently in college, please submit a copy of your most recent transcript.**
- **If you are entering college as a freshman this fall, please submit a copy of your acceptance letter from that institution.**

Please Type:

Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Patron #: _____
Parent names: _____ Years as a Patron: _____
Name of High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____
Name & address of school you will be attending (or are currently attending):

Agricultural field in which you plan to study (or are currently studying):

School (FFA /4-H) and Community Service Activities:

On-farm Work experience:

Off-farm Work experience:

High School Class Rank: _____ In class of: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

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Ellsworth Cooperative Creamery Scholarship Qualifications:

- a. Family must be a member of the Ellsworth Cooperative Creamery.
- b. The scholarship will be awarded to a 2026 graduating high school senior who will be enrolled in an agricultural field of study at a vocational school or university in the fall, or to a current post-secondary student enrolled in an agricultural field of study. Scholarship payment will be made after the student has successfully completed either a quarter or a semester of schooling.
- c. The primary criteria the Board would ask the Committee to consider include: the type of agricultural-related education the applicant is pursuing or plans to pursue; involvement in agricultural activities such as FFA or 4-H; academic performance at the applicant's most recent educational institution; years of connection to the Creamery; years of education remaining; community service; and work experience, including farm or home-based involvement.
- d. Application forms are available from the Ellsworth Cooperative Creamery: 232 North Wallace St., Ellsworth, WI 54011, or via download at www.ellsworthcheese.com.
- e. Application deadline is 4:00 p.m., March 31, 2026, at which time applications must be submitted to the Ellsworth Cooperative Creamery business office.

Scholarship Program for the Ellsworth Cooperative Creamery

The goal of this program is to provide scholarships to members of our cooperative families who wish to pursue post-secondary education in agriculture at a two-year technical school or a four-year university.

The Selection Committee will consist of a field supervisor and two past Board members. They will be responsible for reviewing applications and assigning evaluation scores to scholarship applicants. The deadline for submission of scholarship applications is March 31, 2026.

Members' families may begin submitting applications on February 17 of the award year. The Committee will have sole discretion in awarding the scholarships.

The scholarship will be paid upon successful completion of at least one academic term and receipt of proof of continued enrollment or graduation.

The primary funding source for this scholarship will be uncashed checks issued by the Cooperative, in accordance with state requirements. After three years, any unclaimed checks or equity will be credited to this program. If the fund balance is insufficient to cover the amount allocated by the Board, the remaining balance will be funded through general donation expenses. The Board has authorized funding for up to five \$1,000 scholarships to be awarded in 2026. The Committee is not required to award all or any portion of the authorized funds if there are no qualified applicants.

The main criteria for this scholarship are:

1. Type of agricultural-related education they are/will be studying.
2. Involvement in agricultural activities in school/community (FFA & 4-H).
3. Years of connection with the Creamery.
4. Grades of the student in their most recent institution.
5. Years of education remaining.
6. Community service, work, and/or home/farm work involvement.

This is a one-time scholarship opportunity.

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