



**2026
Academic Scholarships
and
Opportunity Scholarships**

**TO: Area High Schools &
Area County Extension Agents**

RE: South Texas Farm & Ranch Show IMPORTANT: Follow all instructions

DEADLINE IS APRIL 15, 2026

The South Texas Farm & Ranch Show will be offering the following Academic Scholarships. One \$1,750.00 scholarship in memory of Mark Scherer, four \$1,500.00 scholarships in memory of Melvin Scherer, John Stockbauer Jr., Jock Ross, and David Dierlam, three \$1,250.00 scholarships and six \$1,250.00 opportunity scholarships to worthy students. The requirements are as follows:

The Academic scholarships are being offered to students who will be graduating from high school in Victoria or an adjoining county and have a class ranking in the top 1/3 of their class. In order to receive the scholarship, the student must register for a minimum of 12 semester hours at an accredited college or university and be pursuing a major field of study in one of the agricultural sciences.

Six \$1,250.00 Opportunity Scholarships are offered to students who will be graduating from high school in Victoria or an adjoining county and have a class ranking in the top 50% of their high school class, and will be attending an accredited college or university or technical school. Their major field of study must also be in agricultural sciences.

Funds for scholarships will be transferred to the college you selected upon proof of registration in July 2026.

Please forward this information along to students that you feel might be interested. Completed applications must be returned to the Victoria County Extension office, 528 Waco Circle, Victoria, TX 77904 no later than **April 15, 2026**.

If submitting by US MAIL - be sure to allow time for mailing during these uncertain times. POSTMARK MUST BE DATED NO LATER THAN APRIL 15, 2026.

For further information, contact the Victoria County Extension office at (361) 575-4581 or Dr. John Beck at drjohnwbeck@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Dr. John Beck
Scholarship Committee Chairman
South Texas Farm & Ranch Show

Important: Please make sure you have attached all signatures and pages.

SOUTH TEXAS FARM AND RANCH SHOW 2026 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

\$1750 – Mark Scherer Memorial Scholarship
\$1500 – Melvin Scherer Memorial Scholarship
\$1500 – John Stockbauer Jr Memorial Scholarship
\$1500 – Jock Ross Memorial Scholarship
\$1500 – David Dierlam Memorial Scholarship
\$1250 – STFRS Scholarship
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FOR USE BY APPLICANT

Application Check List

1. Transcript (with Class Ranking)
2. Ag Major
3. Narrative
4. Complete Application (All Pages)
5. All Signatures
6. Due Date
7. Picture Attached

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Top 1/3 of class based on mid senior year supported by certification of ranking and transcript.
2. High School Location – Victoria and adjoining counties. Or home address if home-schooled
3. College Majors – must be in the agricultural field.
4. Must be full time student (min. of 12 hours) in the fall.
5. Narrative about yourself and your agricultural experiences along with current & future goals-2 pages max
6. Application must be completed in full and have all required signatures.
7. Staple all documents securely together.
8. All applicants must furnish a picture with application.

**DUE DATE: 5:00 PM ON APRIL 15, 2026 AT THE VICTORIA COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE
528 Waco Circle, Victoria, TX 77904**

Scholarships are paid to Registrar of selected University.

FAMILY INFORMATION:

Name of Applicant _____ Phone _____

Home Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ S.S.# _____

Name of Parents/Guardians: _____

Address: _____

Applicant's email address: _____

Parents' Occupations: _____
(Father/Guardian) (Mother/Guardian)

Number of Brothers and Sisters _____ List their ages _____

Will you have any brothers or sisters attending college at the same time as you? _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Name of High School from which you will graduate: _____

Date of anticipated High School Graduation: _____

Number in graduating class _____ Your Rank in class _____

Overall Grade Point average _____ Number of Honors courses _____

Name of College/Universities/Technical School applied to: _____

Have you been accepted? _____

Your SAT or ACT score: _____ Date taken: _____

What is your planned major in college: _____

Proposed Career planned: _____

Name of 4-H Club or FFA Chapter: _____

List any specific reasons why you need financial assistance for college expenses _____

Please list any scholarship you have been approved for:

Name of Scholarship	Amount
_____	_____
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_____	_____

Signature Page

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(Applicant)

Date: _____

(Parent/Guardian)

Date: _____

(Principal)

Date: _____

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