



2024-2025 Scholarship Guidelines

Guidelines:

1. The application is to be completed on behalf of the student nominated.
2. The student will need to participate in the interview process.
3. Applications must be received no later than 4 PM Thursday, October 17, 2024. Application packages may be mailed or emailed.

Mail to: Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau
475 N. Palora Avenue, Suite A
Yuba City, CA. 95991

Email to: ysfb@ysfarmbureau.com

4. Applications are open to freshmen, sophomores, and juniors only.
5. The Blue Jacket Bonanza Program was organized to create accountability in FFA students allowing them to earn their own FFA Blue Jacket.

Application Requirements:

1. All applications must be **typed**.
2. Applications must be received no later than Thursday, October 17, 2024, by 4 PM (mailed or emailed)
3. Application must be complete. Every field is required.
4. The top applicants will receive jackets.
5. Jacket size needs to be in number value, for example, 36, 38, etc.
6. Incomplete essay question responses are not acceptable.
7. All 3 signatures of recommendation must be present.
8. A letter of recommendation from someone other than a parent, FFA advisor, or principal must be typed and attached when the application is submitted.
9. A teacher's signature must be present.



ATTENTION:

1. If an applicant needs assistance with finding opportunities for community service, please call our office at (530) 673-6550. We are more than willing to help you!
2. Failure to submit a complete application will result in disqualification.
3. Late postmarks will not be accepted under any circumstances.
4. Not every nominee application will receive an interview.
5. Applications should demonstrate a passion for FFA and provide examples of how the student has earned the privilege of receiving a jacket from this program.
6. Applications will be reviewed for community service, FFA knowledge, educational and career goals and outstanding recommendations.

Jacket Recipient Selection:

1. Written applications will be reviewed by the BJB selection committee and qualifying applicants will be notified of their interview date and time.
2. Interviews will be held at the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Board Room and each student will receive a score.
3. The top individuals will be awarded jackets.
4. Advisors and students will be notified.
5. Jackets will be distributed at a Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau meeting/event, TBD.
6. Nominees who do not receive a jacket may reapply during next year's application period.
7. Students may only be nominated twice.

Ideal Candidates:

1. Convey more than one reason for applying, demonstrate a passion for FFA, provide examples of how the student has earned the privilege to receive a jacket from the program, explain higher education and career goals, and knowledge of FFA.
2. Neat appearance, professional attire and initiate the introduction with a firm handshake and eye contact.
3. Good voice quality, clear enunciation, and excellent communication skills.

