



# Specialty Crop Trade Council (SCTC) Scholarship Application 2026

**\$3,000 Award**

SCTC is America's most effective organization representing the collective interests of the dried fruit and tree nut industries. For 100 years, SCTC has provided strong advocacy services and resources to its members. SCTC leverages its industry knowledge and experience to benefit its membership through a broad range of services and solutions.

**Please read all instructions carefully, incomplete applications will not be considered.**

## **Eligible Applicants:**

1. Currently enrolled in college or a graduating high school senior headed to college.
2. Plan to attend a four-year college or university and majoring in agriculture based or related field.
3. Plan to focus on Agriculture or Ag Business related degree.
4. Has a strong academic record (college or high school) with a minimum 3.0 GPA.
5. Prior recipients of the SCTC Scholarship are not eligible.

## **Application Process:**

1. All applications must be typed.
2. Application must be emailed by **April 15, 2026**.
3. Email: [scholarships@shipsctc.org](mailto:scholarships@shipsctc.org)
4. Questions about the application process? Please submit them to [scholarships@shipsctc.org](mailto:scholarships@shipsctc.org).

## **Application Submissions:**

1. Complete application.
2. Applications must also include unofficial transcript from applicants' high school or college.
3. Two (2) Letters of Recommendations are required. Letters to be signed and dated by person providing recommendation including contact information (e-mail or phone).

## **Application Award:**

1. Award recipients will be required to submit official documentation signed by the school's registrar confirming enrollment in college. Scholarship funds will not be released until this information is submitted. Documentation must include student ID number.
2. Scholarship awards will be mailed to the recipient within 30 days of confirmation of enrollment.



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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Cumulative High  
School GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

4-year college attending or  
planning on attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Cumulative College  
GPA (if currently enrolled): \_\_\_\_\_

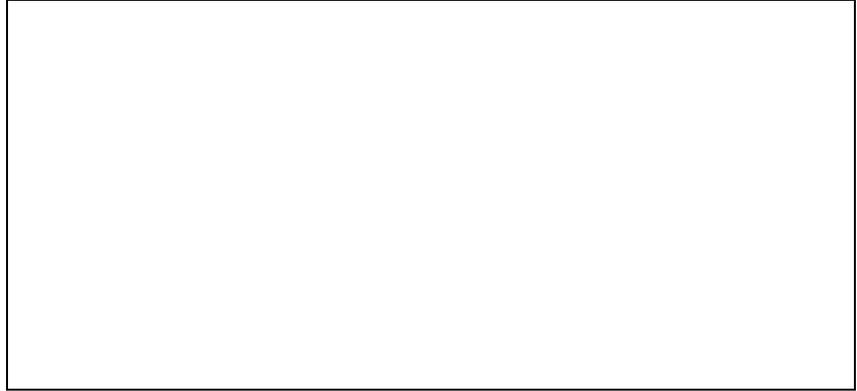
Major or anticipated Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant to provide a  
summary of extracurricular  
activity (school, work and/or  
family): \_\_\_\_\_

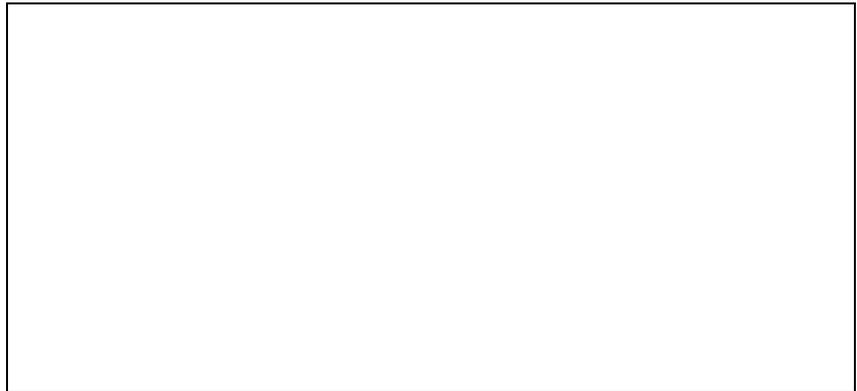
### 5-Part Essay (100 to 150 words for each):

Explain your career aspirations  
and your educational plan to  
meet these goals:

Describe a personal accomplishment and the strengths and skills you used to achieve it:



Describe your work experience (within and outside of agriculture) over the past 3 years:



Why are you choosing this career path?



Anticipated Career Goal (where do you see yourself 10 years from now)?

