



CALIFORNIA WOMEN FOR AGRICULTURE *SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM*

April 2024

In the fall of 2019, the **Imperial Valley California Women for Agriculture (IVCWA)** was reestablished. IVCWA's mission is to educate and promote awareness of California agriculture and we are pleased to offer a scholarship program. There is no age restriction for the scholarship, nor is it based upon financial need. The monetary amount of the scholarships awarded may vary depending on IVCWA annual resources and applicant pool. Winners will be announced in May 2024 for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Requirements for the *Women Pursuing Degrees in Agriculture Scholarship*

Must be a female resident or high school graduate from Imperial County.

- 1) Must be pursuing a bachelor's degree, an associate's degree, or a degree from an accredited trade school in agriculture or related subject area with the intention to pursue a career within the agriculture industry. This scholarship is only for undergraduate degrees and trade schools.
- 2) If applicant is in high school when applying, they must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- 3) If the applicant is enrolled in a college or trade school when applying, they must have a cumulative GPA of 2.8 or higher.
- 4) While not a requirement, applicants are encouraged to also demonstrate financial need, scholastic ability, achievements and community service preferably in agriculture-related activities. Additionally, if an applicant's parent(s) are employed in an agriculture related field of work, please also note in your application.
- 5) Finalists must be available to participate in a virtual interview with the IVCWA Scholarship Committee to discuss questions related to California agriculture during mid-May. The student(s) selected to receive the scholarship(s) will be notified in late May.
- 6) Proof of enrollment or work in progress and verification of units will be necessary prior to receiving the award for the 2024 - 2025 academic year. All funds will be distributed directly to the school and the recipient must provide IVCWA the required information within one year of the scholarship award notification.

Applications due Friday, May 3, 2024

Before mailing your application, make sure you have included:

- CWA Scholarship Application Form
- Statement of Educational Purpose
- School and Community Activities
- Certification of Application
- Recommendation Form - 1 recommendation required
- Official** High School or College Transcripts (most recent)

Finalists may be required to meet with the CWA Scholarship Committee for an interview. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. The completed application including recommendations and official transcripts must be postmarked no later than **Friday, May 3, 2024**, and mailed or emailed to the following address:

IVCWA Scholarship Committee - P.O. BOX 2703, EL CENTRO, CA 92244

Email: imperialvalleycwa@gmail.com ATTN: Scholarship Committee

Please email if you have any questions or need more information.



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Name: _____ Birth date: _____
Last First Middle Month Day Year

Address: _____ E-mail: _____
Phone: _____

Do either of your parents or guardian work in an agriculture related industry? If yes, please describe.

Do you anticipate using financial aid or scholarship for your education? If yes, describe amount and type:

EDUCATION

High School

School name: _____ Dates attended: _____

G.P.A.: _____ SAT or ACT (if applicable): _____ Graduation date: _____

College – Complete only if currently enrolled in college

School name: _____ Dates attended: _____

G.P.A.: _____ Major: _____ Expected Graduation date: _____

How many units you will have completed by June 2024 - Quarter system units: _____ Semester system units: _____

All Applicants

College level Fall 2024: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior

Expected college graduation date: _____

What college will you be attending in Fall 2024? _____

How many units do you intend to enroll in for Fall 2024? _____



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CERTIFICATION OF APPLICATION

I hereby certify that I have completed all of the information on this application and to the best of my knowledge, it is correct and accurate. I acknowledge that all information on this application may be disclosed to third parties for the purpose of scholarship award consideration. If I am selected for a scholarship award, I will provide the Imperial Valley California Women for Agriculture Scholarship Committee the completed request form to pay the funds to the educational institution on behalf of me as well as proof of enrollment from my educational institution. I acknowledge I must claim my scholarship funds within one year of notification of the award or the scholarship will be forfeited. I will notify the Imperial Valley California Women for Agriculture Scholarship Committee promptly of any change in major, college residence or enrollment that would affect my eligibility for this award. Additionally, if selected, I will keep the Imperial Valley Chapter of California Women for Agriculture informed as to my whereabouts and employment progress following graduation.

Applicant's name

Signature

Date



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RECOMMENDATION FORM

ONE recommendation is required

Applicant's name: _____

This page to be completed by reference:

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

E-Mail address: _____

Your relation to the applicant (must not be a relative or personal friend): _____

Examples include teacher, employer, coach, clergy member, mentor, or counselor.

Please indicate your association with the applicant and how well you know her. In the space provided below, please address why you believe the applicant is a worthy candidate for the California Women for Agriculture Scholarship.

****You may submit a letter of recommendation with all the requested information on letterhead instead of using this form.*

You may mail or email completed recommendations directly to:

**IVCWA Scholarship Committee, P.O. BOX 2703, EL
CENTRO, CA 92244 imperialvalleycwa@gmail.com**

Important Deadline: All letters of recommendation must be postmarked no later than **Friday, May 3, 2024.**
Late applications and/or letters, and incomplete applications will not be considered.



Consent Form

If I am chosen as scholarship recipient, I _____ agree that the information on my Imperial Valley CWA application (excluding personal information such as; address, phone number and email address) may be shared with 3rd parties for the purpose of publicity with CWA donors, educational entities and interested parties. I also give permission for my photograph to be used for any publicity relating to CWA and its scholarships.

Signature

Date

If scholarship applicant is under 18 years of age, please have parent or custodian sign below:

Parent/Custodian Signature

Date

By not signing this disclosure, it will not affect in any way your chances of receiving a scholarship.