

# SARA ANN COMER Memorial Agricultural Scholarship



YOUNG FARMERS & RANCHERS

## Purpose and Mission

The Sara Ann Comer Scholarship was established to honor this outstanding young agricultural leader. Ms. Comer, a York County Young Farmer & Rancher Committee Member, was a senior at Clemson University majoring in Agricultural Education. During her time at Clemson, Sara Ann was involved in many organizations such as Sigma Alpha Agricultural Sorority and Clemson Collegiate Future Farmers of America.

Sara Ann was a true advocate for agriculture, spending many hours educating others on the importance of the industry and supporting those who farm. Whether she was helping out at her family farm-equipment business, or coordinating events through CCFFA at Clemson, folks knew where Sara Ann stood in her views on the importance of agriculture. To encourage students to pursue degrees in their passion for agriculture like her, the Sara Ann Comer Memorial Agricultural Scholarship will provide financial support for selected recipients.

Annually, the York County Farm Bureau Young Farmer and Rancher Committee hosts the S.A.C. Shoot4Ag fundraiser. Proceeds from this event are used to fund the Sara Ann Comer Memorial Agricultural Scholarship.



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## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

### Application Details:

- Applications are blind-scored
  - Applicant name and personal information is omitted from the selection process. Recipients are chosen based on application answers and credentials.
- The scholarship committee will select 1-4 recipients a year based on qualified applications received.
- Minimum of \$2,500 per awardee, Maximum of \$7,500 per awardee
- Previous applicants and recipients CAN apply and receive this scholarship more than once

### Applicants must be:

- York County resident
  - Farm Bureau Members (Parent or Youth Membership accepted)
  - High school senior OR currently enrolled college student
  - Accepted/Enrolled in a two or four year college/university in addition to one or more of the following
    - Enrollment in an agricultural degree program or major
- OR**
- Plan to pursue a full-time or part-time career in an agricultural field upon graduation

### All applications must contain the completed form along with the following support documents:

- Two letters of recommendation
  - Recommendation letters must be from non-family members who can speak for your involvement in agriculture
- Copy of high school transcript and/or collegiate transcript

**Personal Information**

**Legal Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Mailing Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent(s)/Legal Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Farm Bureau Membership Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School Information**

**High School Attended:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**College Attended/Accepted:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Is the school listed above the same school you would apply scholarship money if awarded?**

**Circle ONE:**      Yes              No

**Address of College (Street, City, State, Zip Code)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Intended Major or Field of Study:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Application Deadline: April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

Scholarship stipends will be paid directly to your accepted institution. Please list the college or university that you would like scholarship awards to be mailed to above.

Mail completed application packet to:

**York County Farm Bureau  
Attn: Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee  
P.O. Box 95  
York, SC 29745**

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Your answers can be typed in a separate document.

- 1. Briefly describe your high school and/or collegiate activities and leadership roles held.**
- 2. Describe your future goals. How do you plan to be involved in agriculture post-graduation? (100+ words)**
- 3. What do you see to be the biggest issue facing agriculture today? (250+ words)**
- 4. How do you advocate for agriculture? (250+ words)**
- 5. Agriculture is one of the most hazardous industries. What can we, as young farmers and ranchers, do to create a more preventative, rather than reactive, approach to farm safety in our communities? (100+ words)**
- 6. In our modern world, the rapid dissemination of information and opinion about agriculture and food technologies can make it difficult to distinguish fact from fiction. Given these challenges, how can Farm Bureau best protect farmers' and ranchers' access to production technology options? (100+ words)**
- 7. Why do you feel you should receive the Sara Ann Comer Memorial Ag Scholarship?**
- 8. Have you volunteered or participated in the Sara Ann Comer Shoot4Ag in the past? If so, please explain.**

# Join York County Farm Bureau as a Student Member!



## Your Youth/Student Membership:

1. Allows you to be involved in grassroots advocacy, leadership development and other training opportunities specifically designed for you,
2. Gives you special access to Farm Bureau information, discounts, events and scholarship opportunities directly related to youth interested in agriculture, and
3. Cultivates a life-long membership with South Carolina Farm Bureau and helps you grow your agricultural network as you embark on your college and career journey!



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