

**2017 WABASHA COUNTY FARMERS UNION
DON TENTIS MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants must be completing their final term or have completed their final term of their senior year in high school or be a nontraditional student currently enrolled in a college program of study.
2. Applicants must have plans to attend or be currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution (technical or trade schools, community colleges, state universities or private institutions).
3. Applicant and/or applicant's immediate family must be a Minnesota Farmers Union member who is in good standing and residing in Wabasha County.

APPLICATIONS

1. Applicants must complete the Farmers Union Scholarship Application, Essay and have two letters of reference returned to: Bill McMillin, Sec/Treas. Wabasha County Farmers Union, 59751 Hwy. 42, Kellogg, MN 55945 by the application deadline.
2. Application requests should be sent to the above address.
3. Applications must be completed by the person to whom the scholarship will be awarded.
4. Late applications will not be accepted. Applications must be in the possession of Bill McMillin by 5:00 p.m., Friday, **March 31, 2017**.
5. Applications will not be returned to the applicant.
6. Minnesota Farmers Union reserves the right to print any portion of the winning applicant's scholarship essay in *Minnesota Agriculture* and in local papers.
7. Applicants must have two people (non-family members) write letters of recommendation. The writer must mail his or her letter of recommendation to Bill McMillin, Wabasha County Farmers Union, 59751 Hwy. 42, Kellogg, MN 55945 so that it is received by the application deadline.

SELECTION

1. A committee will review all eligible applications received by 5:00 p.m., Friday, **March 31, 2017**.
2. The committee will reach its decision by **May 5, 2017**.
3. The committee will consist of the President of Wabasha County Farmers Union, the Secretary/Treasurer of Wabasha County Farmers Union, two Wabasha County Farmers Union members and the Wabasha County Field Staff Representative.
4. Applicants who had previously not applied or who have applied but not received the scholarship will be given first priority.

COMPENSATION

1. One \$500 scholarships will be given to a Wabasha County Farmers Union student.
2. The winner of the scholarship will be notified in writing and featured in *Minnesota Agriculture*.
3. The scholarship will be paid in full to the applicant's institution upon the following:
 - The person maintains a grade point average at or above a 2.5 in high school, as well as at the completion of their first semester of higher education.
 - The person provides proof of the above to the County Secretary/Treasurer.

**WABASHA COUNTY FARMERS UNION
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Complete and send to: Bill McMillin, Secretary/Treasurer Wabasha County Farmers Union, 59751 Hwy. 42, Kellogg, MN 55945 by **March 31, 2017**.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Parent or Guardian's Name: _____

EDUCATION BACKGROUND

Name of High School: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Phone Number: (____) _____ Principal: _____

Date of High School Graduation: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

FUTURE PLANS

School that you are attending: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Intended Major (s) Minor (s) _____

Personal Address if known: _____
Street City State Zip

Date of the end of the 1st term: ____/____/____

HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE PARTICIPATION

Favorite Courses: _____

INTERESTS

Extra-Curricular (non-athletic) activities and number of years involved: _____

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Honors and Awards: _____

Hobbies, skills and interests: _____

Volunteer activities: _____

EMPLOYMENT

Did/do you have a part-time paid job while attending school: _____ Yes _____ No

Job (s), dates of employment and description of duties: _____

FARMERS UNION INVOLVEMENT

Are you or your family a current member of the Minnesota Farmers Union? _____ Yes _____ No

Minnesota Farmers Union membership number _____

Did you take part in any Farmers Union offerings? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please list:

REFERENCES

Please include the names, addresses and phone numbers of two (2) people whom you have chosen to write letters of recommendation for you. The reference should be from non-family members. The people writing the references must send their recommendations to: Bill McMillin, Secretary/Treasurer Wabasha County Farmers Union, 59751 Hwy. 42, Kellogg, MN 55945 by **March 31, 2017**.

1. _____
Name City State Zip

2. _____
Name City State Zip

The applicant is responsible for the validity of all of the information in this application. Please sign below to certify that all written material is the truth to the best of your knowledge.

Signature

Date

**SCHOLARSHIP
ESSAY**

Don Tentis of Kellogg was actively involved in Wabasha County Farmers Union and was an avid volunteer in his community. On separate sheets of paper please write a one- to two-page, double-spaced, typed essay describing the following: a) how being involved in agriculture (or a family farm) and/or Farmers Union influenced you, and b) your involvement in your community.