2023 Southern AgCredit Scholarship Program College Application Form

Essay Instructions:

Your essay will help the judges learn more about you and your future life plans. Please write an essay **no more** than a page in length and discuss one or more of the following topics:

- Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school.
- Who in your life has been your biggest influence and why?
- What are your dreams for the future? Thirty years from now, when you look back on your life, what will it take for you to consider your life successful?
- Why have you chosen your career field and what do you hope to achieve in the next 10 years?
- What are your major accomplishments, and why do you consider them accomplishments?

Attach the essay to this application and return to kim.webb@southernagcredit.com by March 20, 2023

Southern AgCredit Scholarships for College Students

Promoting the further education of our youth in Mississippi and Louisiana

Five \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to college students who will be in their sophomore, junior or senior year in Fall 2023. To be eligible, students must be majoring in agriculture or a related field (e.g., Agriculture, Ag Economics, Ag Business, Business, Marketing, etc.). Applicants must not have won a previous Southern AgCredit scholarship.

Scholarship winners will be selected based on school and community involvement, scholastic performance, educational goals and financial needs. Winners will be announced in April 2023.

To be eligible to apply, you must be a child, grandchild or spouse of a current Southern AgCredit borrower or be a borrower yourself.

Selection Criteria

- **Scholarship:** measured by grades and transcripts (5 points)
- **Leadership:** measured by positions held in student government, civic and church groups (10 points)
- Extracurricular activities: measured by participation in sports, school and community organizations, as well as work experience (10 points)
- Essay: measured by content and message (25 points)