

NAAE Student Teaching Scholarship Application, Instructions, and Supporting Information

NAAE values the contribution of student members to our organization and has made supporting them a priority during their student teaching semester through the NAAE Student Teaching Scholarship. This scholarship can be used to assist the student teacher with expenses related to travel, lodging, class or testing fees as well as other expenses the student teacher finds beneficial during this crucial time. NAAE will award \$1500 scholarships to students who are majoring in agricultural education and who will be completing their student teaching in the fall 2025 or spring 2026 semesters.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for this scholarship, each applicant must be:

- an agricultural education major that will be completing his or her student teaching in fall 2025 or spring 2026 in a college or university that offers a program of study in agricultural education
- 2. majoring in agricultural education with intentions to become an agriculture teacher
- a student member of NAAE during the NAAE membership year in which they apply for the scholarship (2024-2025) and during the year they will complete their student teaching (2025-2026). Selected applicants will not receive their scholarship check until they confirm their student teaching and NAAE Student membership with NAAE.
- 4. A minimum GPA of 3.0 (confirmed by university transcript).

Previous recipients of the NAAE Upper Division Agricultural Education Scholarship are not eligible to apply.

How to Apply and Application Deadline

Each applicant must prepare an application and supporting documents and upload the materials via the NAAE website no later than March 15, 2025. To submit your scholarship application, please use the link in the Student Teaching Scholarship section on the NAAE Professional Development programs page. (https://www.naae.org/professional-development/naae-awards-scholarships/student-teacher-scholarship/)

Applications received after March 15 will not be accepted. No printed or emailed applications will be accepted.

Evaluation of Applications

The scholarship applications will be evaluated by a committee selected NAAE using the NAAE Student Teaching Scholarship Rubric. Those applicants selected to receive scholarships will be notified; unsuccessful applicants will also be notified. Notifications will occur on or before June 1, 2025.

Award

Each recipient will receive one \$1500 scholarship to be used toward expenses associated with being a college or university student preparing to be an agricultural teacher. Scholarships will be awarded during the recipient's student teaching semester.

Required Materials

Each application package submitted must include the following [applications will be evaluated on a 100-point scale]:

- Applicant Information the first portion of the application must be the completed online though the MyNAAE portal on the NAAE website. Applicants must log-in and provide updated applicant information. To log-in, you must be a current NAAE Student member.
 - All items listed below should be saved as electronic files and uploaded to the online application form through MyNAAE. Printed copies of the items below will not be accepted. Supported file types include .pdf, .doc, .txt, .jpg, .png, .gif, .tif, or .bmp.
- 2. Narrative the narrative is limited to four 8 1/2" x 11" pages. The narrative must be typewritten and uploaded to the online application form. Use a font no smaller than 12 points. Multiple text formats are acceptable, including paragraphs, lists, and tables. The narrative must follow the outline specified as follows:
 - a. A current resume that includes leadership and service activities (1 page maximum) [criterion weight: 40 points]
 - b. An ESSAY (approximately 500 words) entitled "What are the major issues facing agriculture teachers in the middle and high school program today?" [criterion weight: 40 points]
 - c. A description of intended us of the scholarship funds– provide explanation of how you plan to use scholarship funds. [criterion weight: 20 points]
- 3. Transcript A copy of the applicant's college/university transcripts from all colleges/universities attended which includes undergraduate and graduate course work from all semesters. This does not need to be an official transcript; however, it must be provided by the college/university.

Please save each of these required items separately (narrative portion and transcript) on your computer and upload them to the appropriate field on the scholarship application form on the NAAE website.