

# Fresno Grizzlies Farm Grown Scholarships Guidelines and Application

Farm Grown promotes the agricultural heritage and philanthropic vitality of the Central San Joaquin Valley through the building of meaningful partnerships in support of education, agriculture, healthy living, and baseball. Through this initiative, the Fresno Grizzlies are pleased to provide scholarships annually to outstanding local FFA and 4H students pursuing a degree in an agricultural-related field.

### Applicants wishing to apply for consideration must:

- Be a graduating high-school senior residing within one of the following counties:
  - Fresno, Tulare, Kings, Merced, Madera, Mariposa, or Kern
- Have at least a 2.80 cumulative grade point average
- o Be enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university
- Major and study in an agricultural field
- o Be an active member of FFA or 4H within the San Joaquin and Central Regions
- o Not have received financial assistance from the Fresno Grizzlies within the last 24 months

#### How to apply:

- o Complete the Scholarship Application in full
- Submit one (1) letter of recommendation from an agriculture leader *and* one (1) recommendation letter from a teacher or other school official (letters may not be from family members). Mail letters by **April 21st** to:

Attn: Farm Grown Scholarship Fresno Grizzlies 1800 Tulare Street Fresno, CA 93721

- Provide an official cumulative High School transcript
- Complete and return your application with all required materials by *Friday, April 21st, 2023.*
- You can also email the full scholarship application to eharley@fresnogrizzlies.com

The Class of 2023 Scholarship winners will be notified before **May 1st** and will be presented their awards during **Growers Night on Saturday, May 13th, 2023**.



# Fresno Grizzlies Farm Grown Scholarship Application

Name:				
Address:				
Phone Number:	Email:			
High School:	GPA (weighted):			
Intended College:	Intended Major:			
Ag-related activities and/or leadership posi	itions:			
Non-ag extracurricular commitments and/or leadership positions:				
Awards and other scholarships you have real	ceived:			
Have you previously received support from			or No	
Are you involved with any Grizzlies progran	ns?	Yes	or No	
If so, please list:				

# Please answer <u>both</u> of the following questions in one short essay (on a separate sheet of paper, not to exceed 1 page):

• What does it mean to be "Farm Grown"?

• Why do you want to study your intended field and how do you plan to use your education?

## Also, please answer <u>one</u> of the following questions (maximum 1 page):

- What is agriculture's value and contribution to your community, California and the USA?
- How would you lead and solve the challenges facing Central Valley growers and ranchers today?

Winners will be notified by email and scholarships will be awarded on a one-time basis and will not be renewable. Awards will be paid upon proof of registration at an accredited institute of higher education. Applications must be complete and postmarked by April 21, 2023 to be considered.

Submit your completed application by **Friday**, **April 21**, **2023** to Evan Harley by Email: (<u>eharley@fresnogrizzlies.com</u>) or USPS: 1800 Tulare Street, Fresno, CA 93721