

Premiere Agriculture Scholarship

Sponsored by the Otero Junior College Foundation

A P P L I C A T I O N

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Otero Junior College, in cooperation with the Otero Junior College Foundation, has developed a premiere agriculture scholarship available to incoming OJC freshmen and sophomore students.
2. Scholarships will be awarded to at least five students at up to \$1,500 per student for the academic year (a minimum of \$750 per semester). Successful applicants may re-apply for a second year of funding if still eligible.
3. Scholarship funds are sponsored by the Otero Junior College Foundation and may be paired with other eligible scholarships and financial aid opportunities. However, funds will not be awarded that exceed the cost of attending OJC (including tuition, fees, books and room/board). Other sources of financial aid and scholarships will be taken into account when determining the award amount for each student.
4. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to Otero Junior College to cover costs.

Selection

1. Selection is based on agricultural involvement (such as previous employment, extra-curricular activities, future aspirations, etc.).
2. While a minimum grade point average is not required for the scholarship, an applicant's GPA will be considered as a rating factor by the selection committee.
3. Successful applicants must enter into one of OJC's agricultural sciences courses of study the year in which they receive the scholarship.

Please complete the application package and return to:
Angela Benfatti, Otero Junior College Financial Aid Director
Otero Junior College, 1802 Colorado Ave., La Junta, CO
81050 **by 5 p.m. April 2, 2018.**

Only completed application packets will be reviewed. An application must include:

- a. Completed application form (page 2 of this document);
- b. Official high school or college transcript;
- c. Two (2) letters of recommendation from instructors, counselors or employers;
- d. An essay (500-word maximum) describing your involvement in agriculture and your future aspirations related to the field; and
- e. A list of other scholarships and financial aid applied for, with information regarding those that have been received. The applicant's 2018-19 Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be included.

