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October 2025

The NEW Cooperative Foundation annually provides scholarships to undergraduate students pursuing degrees in agriculture. We are proud to offer two scholarships for the 2026-27 academic year.

The NEW Cooperative Foundation offers a minimum of ten (10) scholarships of \$2,000 each; awarded to undergraduates pursuing degrees in agriculture. We are also pleased to offer the Bob Wallentine Memorial Scholarship, awarding one \$4,000 scholarship to a full-time student pursuing an Agricultural Business degree.

Recipients will be selected according to their outstanding leadership potential and interest in pursuing a future career in agriculture. Applicants shall be a full-time student that has been accepted into an accredited 2-year college or a 4-year university. Applicants who meet the criteria of the Wallentine Memorial scholarship (full-time undergraduate student at a four-year university pursuing an Agricultural Business degree) will automatically be entered for BOTH NEW Cooperative scholarships. Please review the NEW Scholarship and Wallentine Memorial Scholarship Guidelines below for details and eligibility requirements. **The deadline to apply for both scholarships is March 13, 2026.**

More information about our scholarship program is posted at www.newcoop.com/scholarships. Questions about our scholarship program should be directed to:

Gary Moritz, Foundation Director: 515-955-2040, gmoritz@newcoop.com

Riley Pringnitz, Communications Specialist: 641-863-0433, rpringnitz@newcoop.com

We appreciate any assistance you can provide in notifying your students about our scholarship opportunity. Thank you for your help!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Riley Pringnitz".

Riley Pringnitz
Communications Specialist
NEW Cooperative, Inc.

NEW Cooperative Agriculture Scholarship

2026-2027 Academic Year

The NEW Cooperative Foundation will offer approximately eight (8) scholarships of \$2,000 each; these will be awarded to undergraduates. Recipients will be selected according to their outstanding leadership potential and interest in pursuing a future career in agriculture. **Applicant shall be a full-time student that has been accepted into an accredited 2-year college or a 4-year university. Applicants must be furthering their education by attending a two-year agricultural short course program at two-year College or a four-year university agricultural program.** The deadline for applications is **Friday, March 13, 2026.**

Full Name _____ Birthdate _____

Home address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Your Cell Phone # _____

Your Home Phone # _____ County _____

Name of parents(s) or guardian _____

Father's occupation _____ Mother's Occupation _____

Name of High School: _____ School Phone # _____

Are you a NEW Cooperative member or a dependent of a NEW Cooperative member? _____

Name of NEW Cooperative member (parent, guardian, or applicant) _____

What is your current grade level or year in college? _____

What college or university will you be attending in the 2026-2027 school year? _____

What is/will be your agriculture major in college? _____

Major school and community activities including offices held in organizations while in high school and/or college; specify the year.

Name of Activity	Year	Name of Activity	Year
a. _____	_____	f. _____	_____
b. _____	_____	g. _____	_____
c. _____	_____	h. _____	_____
d. _____	_____	i. _____	_____
e. _____	_____	j. _____	_____

Ag Ownership and/or Employment

Major Enterprise or Employer	Position or Scope of Ownership	Year
a. _____	_____	_____
b. _____	_____	_____
c. _____	_____	_____

Please have high school counselor, principal, or academic advisor complete the following section and **attach copy of transcript:**

Cumulative grade point average (High School) _____ and/or (College) _____ **include both if applicable*

I verify that the above information and data are correct.

Date _____ Signature _____ Title _____

To date, what is your greatest accomplishment and why?

Explain your current involvement in agriculture.

How will you be involved in agriculture in the long term?

How is NEW Cooperative important to your family's farming operation and/or your local community?

If applicable, when is your high school awards ceremony? _____

This information is requested for the purpose of awarding scholarships. No persons outside the coordination staff, the review committee, and the NEW Cooperative Board of Directors will be provided this information.

I authorize NEW Cooperative to release copies of this form and information about my academic record to the committee designated to make the scholarship award selections and to publicize the scholarship award if I am a recipient.

If selected as a NEW Cooperative scholarship recipient, I will be expected to attend the 2025 NEW Cooperative Annual Meeting to be recognized. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2025, at the Webster County Fairgrounds.

Signature of Student _____ Date _____

To include with completed application:

- A single-paged recommendation/reference of applicant from a non-relative.
- Copy of your high school or college transcripts.

Send your completed application, letter of recommendation and a copy of your transcripts to:
Gary Moritz, NEW Cooperative, Inc., P.O. Box 818, Fort Dodge, IA 50501, by the DEADLINE DATE OF FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2026
If submitting by email, send to gmoritz@newcoop.com. You must also email or send by mail a hardcopy of your transcripts and letter of recommendation. For questions, please call 515-955-9034 or email gmoritz@newcoop.com. Thank you



Bob Wallentine Memorial Ag Business Scholarship

NEW Cooperative is pleased to establish the Bob Wallentine Memorial Scholarship, awarding one \$4,000 scholarship to a full-time student pursuing an Agricultural Business degree.

Bob Wallentine grew up on the family farm near Lakota, Iowa and attended Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peter, MN. Wallentine was a graduate of the first FELCO Management Training class for farmer-owned cooperatives. He dedicated his life to agriculture and the cooperatives he served, including Swea City, Matlock and Sutherland.

Wallentine went on to be General Manager at the cooperative in Vincent, IA and in 1973 NEW Cooperative was formed through the merger of the Vincent and Badger cooperatives. Wallentine served as General Manager of NEW Cooperative from its inception until his retirement in 1996. He cared deeply for the farmers and employees he worked with and served on numerous boards and community organizations. Wallentine was inducted into the Iowa Cooperative Hall of Fame in 2006.

Wallentine passed away April 11, 2022, after a courageous battle with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. It is our honor to establish this scholarship opportunity that promotes the importance of education, leadership, and a strong work ethic to the next generation of ag leaders.

Scholarship Amount

The scholarship is funded by the NEW Cooperative Foundation and will award one \$4,000 scholarship to a full-time student pursuing an Agricultural Business degree. Half of the scholarship amount will be paid after successfully completing the first semester of eligible enrollment with a minimum semester GPA of 2.0. The last half of the scholarship amount will be paid after successfully completing the second semester of eligible enrollment with a minimum semester GPA of 2.0.

Scholarship Eligibility

- Applicant must be a NEW Cooperative member, dependent of a NEW Cooperative member, or a dependent of a full-time NEW Cooperative employee at the time of application.
- Applicant must be a full-time undergraduate student pursuing an Agricultural Business degree at an accredited four-year university. High school seniors, college freshmen, sophomores and juniors are eligible to apply.
- Recipients may only receive a NEW Cooperative scholarship once.

How to Apply

The Bob Wallentine Memorial Scholarship application is available on NEW Cooperative's website at www.newcoop.com/scholarships. All applications must be received by **Friday, March 13, 2026**.

Selection Committee

NEW Cooperative's board of directors has designated the following individuals to serve on an independent selection committee. The committee will consist of the General Manager, retired NEW employees (number and specific retired employees to be determined), Brent Bunte (past NEW General Manager) and two additional individuals to be determined.

About NEW Cooperative, Inc.

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Agriculture Scholarship Guidelines

2026-2027 Academic Year



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Objective

The primary goal of the program is to encourage area youth to prepare for a career in agriculture. This scholarship program is designed to provide college financial assistance to dependents of NEW Cooperative, Inc. members and full-time employees.

Scholarship Amount

The scholarship is funded by the NEW Cooperative Foundation and will award approximately ten (10) scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each, to full-time agriculture students. Half of each scholarship will be paid after successfully completing the first semester of eligible enrollment with a minimum semester GPA of 2.0. The last half of each scholarship will be paid after successfully completing the second semester of eligible enrollment with a minimum semester GPA of 2.0.

Selection Committee

NEW Cooperative's Board of Directors has designated an independent selection committee. The selection committee shall review the applications and rank the scholarship recipients. NEW Cooperative's Board of Directors shall have final approval of all scholarship recipients.

Scholarship Eligibility

- Applicant must be a NEW Cooperative member, a dependent of a NEW Cooperative member, or a dependent of a full-time NEW Cooperative employee at the time of application.
- These scholarships are available to applicants who are undergraduate students in two- or four-year programs. High school seniors, as well as college freshmen, sophomores, and juniors are eligible to apply.
- Applicant shall be a full-time student that has been accepted into an accredited 2-year or 4-year college or university. Applicants must be furthering their education by attending a two-year agricultural short course program at a 2-year or 4-year college or university agricultural program.
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