

SAM TAYLOR SCHOLARSHIPS
Administered by the Illinois Foundation FFA.

1. **Sam Taylor Memorial Scholarship:** One or more \$500 to \$1,000 scholarship(s) established by the family in memory of Sam Taylor, 1991-92 State FFA President. The scholarship is available to Illinois FFA members who are a graduating senior planning to major in agriculture or a student enrolled in an agriculture program leading to a degree in agriculture at a two or four year college. Students majoring in agriculture education or animal science will receive first consideration.
2. **Sam Taylor Memorial Agriculture Education Scholarship:** One or more \$500 to \$1,000 scholarship(s) established by the Illinois Association FFA in memory of Sam Taylor, 1991-92 State FFA President. The scholarship is available to Illinois FFA members who are a graduating senior planning to major in agriculture education or a student enrolled in an agriculture program leading to a degree in agriculture education at a two or four-year college or university.

TO APPLY: FFA members may submit one application for both scholarships and all applications will be considered for both scholarships if they meet the criteria. Applicants must submit the following four items:

- A) The application form.
- B) A copy of their high school transcript and college transcript (if applicable).
- C) Two letters of recommendation from people other than family members. One letter should be from their high school agriculture teachers/FFA advisor.
- D) A personal statement not to exceed one page that addresses the question “Why I want to be selected as the recipient of the Sam Taylor Memorial Scholarship”. The statement should include future plans and goals.

CRITERIA:

- A) Applicants must be a current FFA member (active or collegiate).
- B) Acceptance and/or enrollment at an approved college or university with an agriculture program is required.
- C) Scholarships will not be limited to graduating seniors and previous winners may reapply each year during their undergraduate college years.
- D) Anyone who has applied for the scholarship is eligible to reapply, but must submit a new application.

SELECTION COMMITTEE:

- A) Family Member – or - Person designated by the family.
- B) Illinois Foundation FFA - Associate Executive Secretary.
- C) Rushville FFA Chapter Advisor - or - Advisor Designee if chapter is combined, merged or replaced.

AWARD:

- A) Scholarship recipients will be named and received the award from a family member or designee of the family at the State FFA Convention.
- B) Scholarship money will be sent directly to the college or university where the recipients are enrolled in the fall.

Mail the completed application along with supporting materials no later than MARCH 1 to:

Sam Taylor Scholarships
Illinois Foundation FFA
3221 Northfield Dr.
Springfield, IL 62702

(01/02/08)

Application for the
Sam Taylor Memorial & Agricultural Education Scholarships

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of High School: _____

Address: _____

Year in School: _____ Number of Years as an FFA Member _____

My Supervised Agricultural Experience Program (SAEP) Included the Following: (please list)

Your high school grade point: _____ on a _____ scale and class rank: _____ of _____

Name of College/University you plan to attend: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

FAMILY INFORMATION:

Father name: _____ Mother's name: _____

Address _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Father's Occupation: _____

Mother's Occupation _____

List FFA and school activities you have been involved in during high school.

List community and /or church activities you have been involved in:

List FFA and other leadership positions you have held in your school, community, and church.

List awards you have received (FFA, academic, extracurricular, community, church, etc.)

SUPPORT MATERIALS TO BE SUBMITTED WITH YOUR APPLICATION:

1. A copy of your high school transcript and a copy of your college transcripts if presently attending a college or junior college.
2. Two letters of recommendations from people other than members of your family. One letter should be from your FFA or Agricultural Advisor/Instructor.
3. A personal statement that addresses the question “Why I want to be selected as the recipient of the Sam Taylor Memorial Scholarship”. This should include your future plans and goals, should not exceed one page and must be attached to this application.

CERTIFICATION:

We certify that all information contained in this application is accurate and correct to the best of our knowledge.

Applicant’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

School Official’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

School Official’s Title: _____