



## High School Senior Scholarship Application

**Thank you** for applying for the Compeer Financial High School Senior Scholarship offered by Compeer Financial Fund for Rural America! Compeer is proud to invest \$184,500 toward students' continued education.

**PROGRAM:** Provides 123 (41 per state) individual \$1,500 scholarships to students within the 144-county service territory in Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin of Compeer Financial. The scholarship is for graduating high school seniors who have been accepted or will enroll at a university, college or community/technical college. Eligible applicants will have a 3.0 GPA (on a 4.0 scale), reside in Compeer's 144-county service territory, and have a designated agriculture major or interest in an agriculture-related field, or have an agricultural or rural background.

*\*Dependents of Compeer Financial team members and Board Members are not eligible.*

**SELECTION CRITERIA:** Selection will be based on a combination of academic achievement, agricultural and community youth organization involvement, goals and essay. Special consideration will be given to students of parents who do business with Compeer Financial. Applicants who reside in the counties of Cook in Illinois; Hennepin and Ramsey in Minnesota; and Milwaukee in Wisconsin; will be considered for one of three scholarship opportunities. All applicants will be judged by a committee of Compeer team members.

**DEADLINE:** March 15, 2021 (Must be received by). All applicants will be notified of their status 4 to 6 weeks after the deadline.

**APPLICATION INFORMATION:** Qualifying students may obtain an application online ([www.compeer.com](http://www.compeer.com)) or through a local Compeer Financial office.

Please review the following information for submitting your application:

- A school official needs to enter and verify ACT/SAT Score (if taken), Class Rank, GPA (converted to a 4.0 scale) and Graduation date.
- Prepare Involvement List: Describe your involvement in agricultural, community, volunteer, and work activities and school and extracurricular activities.
- Prepare Goals: Describe your career and personal goals and respond to an essay question related to your impact on rural America.
- Prepare Essay: Choose one essay question from the two prompts listed on the application. Write a thoughtful and unique response, with proper grammar and spelling.
- Student must complete, sign and date the application for it to be considered complete.
- Parent or Legal Guardian must sign and date the application for it to be considered complete.
- The application must be typed. Only signatures and school official information can be hand written.

**TO SUBMIT:** Applications can be emailed, mailed or dropped off at a local office.

**Email to:**  
Scholarships@compeer.com

**Mail to:**  
Compeer Financial  
Attn: Melanie Olson  
PO Box 1219  
Lakeville, MN 55044

**Drop off:** For the address of the nearest Compeer Financial office, call (844) 426-6733 or visit [www.compeer.com](http://www.compeer.com).

**QUESTIONS:** If you have any questions, please contact your local office or Melanie Olson at (844) 426-6733 or [Melanie.Olson@compeer.com](mailto:Melanie.Olson@compeer.com).



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Download this application from [www.Compeer.com](http://www.Compeer.com)

<b>Applicant Information</b>			
Name:	Date of Birth:		
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
County of Residence:	Phone Number:	Email Address:	
Parents'/Legal Guardians' Name(s):		Parent/Legal Guardian Email Address:	
Occupation of Legal Guardian 1:	Occupation of Legal Guardian 2:	Compeer Financial Client? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>High School</b>			
Name of High School:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
High School Phone Number:		Graduation Date:	
<b>Future Plans:</b>			
Name of University, College or Community College you plan to attend:		City and State:	
Course of Study (major):			
Will you be receiving a full tuition scholarship (academic or other)? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Briefly describe your agricultural or rural background:</b>			

**INFORMATION AND PHOTO USE AUTHORIZATION**

For valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned give Compeer Financial the absolute and irrevocable right to copyright, use and publish Applicant’s photograph; likeness; name; and any information disclosed in Applicant’s High School Senior Scholarship Application and any subsequent communications related to the Scholarship, except for Applicant’s social security number, grade point average or standardized test scores. Such use may include, but is not be limited to: publishing such materials in Farm Credit publications, advertisements, social media, and/or on www.Compeer.com or a related Farm Credit web site, or providing such materials to publications of general circulation such as newspapers.

As a required part of your application: write and sign your name and date below; Have your parent or legal guardian write and sign their name and date below; and Have a School Official fill out the section below, write and sign their name and date below.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Written Name of Applicant**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of Applicant**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Written Name of Parent/Legal Guardian**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

**This section must be filled out and signed by a School Official.**

Composite ACT or SAT Score: _____ (if taken)	Cumulative GPA _____ (converted to a 4.0 scale)
Class Rank _____ out of _____ Students	Graduation Date _____
Compeer Financial wants to personally recognize our scholarship recipients. How can Compeer contribute to your school’s awards recognition? Please provide details if possible. (ie, attend awards assembly (date and time), record a video, press release)	

**I verify that the above information is correct and accurate according to school transcripts and official information.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Written Name of School Official**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of School Official**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Date**  
(Principal or School Counselor)                      (Principal or School Counselor)

Compeer Financial is committed to providing persons with equal access to its programs, facilities, and employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, handicap, age, veteran status, or sexual orientation.

**Agricultural Activities** (4-H, FFA, work experiences, etc.)

In the space below, please list your involvement in agricultural activities. Please include any leadership roles, honors or awards. When indicating years of involvement, please limit to high school years only. No extra pages, please.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Involvement</b>
For example: FFA	Ex.: 2019-2021	Example: Chapter President – 2020-21

**Community, Volunteer and Work Activities** (Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, work experience, etc.)

In the space below, please list your involvement in community, volunteer and work activities. Please include any leadership roles, honors or awards. When indicating years of involvement, please limit to high school years only. No extra pages, please.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Involvement</b>
For example: Cashier	Ex.: 2019-2021	Example: Smith's Grocery Store

**School/Extracurricular Activities** (Academics, Sports, Clubs, Band, etc.)

In the space below, please list your involvement in school activities. Please include any leadership roles, honors or awards. When indicating years of involvement, please limit to high school years only. No extra pages, please.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Years</b>	<b>Involvement</b>
For example: Varsity Basketball	Ex.: 2019-2021	Example: Captain – 2020; All-Conference: 2020

**Goals**

Using the space provided below, please describe your career and personal goals. What impact will you make on rural America? How do your goals make you the best choice for this scholarship, which is dedicated to helping students who are the future of agriculture and rural America? No extra pages, please.

**Essay – Answer only one of the questions below. No extra pages, please.**

1. Compeer Financial has the mission to enrich agriculture and rural America. Why are agriculture and rural America important to the health and well-being of our country?
2. Agriculture and rural America continue to face challenges. What do you believe is the biggest challenge and how can you directly address this with your future career?