**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**WEST TEXAS AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS INSTITUTE**

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute (WTACI), founded in 1953, is a non-profit organization of dealers, industry representatives, producers, scientists, educators, and agribusiness members who support educational and research programs promoting the safe and efficient use of agricultural chemicals. WTACI awards academic scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students from universities in the West Texas area and to those students from the West Texas area attending the college of their choice. Since 1983, the WTACI has awarded over $162,000 in scholarships to 172 students pursuing agricultural related degrees. Scholarships awarded last year totaled $8,000. The 2023 Scholarships will be presented at the Institute’s annual meeting in September in Lubbock, Texas.

Specific criteria for scholarship selection are as follows:

1. Recipient must be pursuing a degree in crop science, soil science, or a related major.

2. Classification requirements

a. Undergraduate: Sophomore (with >30 hours), junior, or senior

b. Graduate (with at least one semester in the program).

3. Academic requirements = at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

4. Plan to actively pursue a career in crop science, soil science, or a related field.

5. Recipient can qualify for scholarship only once per college degree.

6. Recipient must attend annual meeting to personally receive the award.

7. Scholarship funds must be used toward the advancement of the recipient’s formal

 education (\*failure to utilize received moneys in this matter may result in forfeiture of

 this educational scholarship).

8. Three letters of reference must accompany the application (areas to include academic

 performance, character, leadership qualities, etc.).

9. The deadline for application is **May 16**. Recipients will be notified by **July 1.**

The application should be filled out completely and emailed along with copies of unofficial transcripts and letters of reference as attachments to the Chairman of the West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute Scholarship Committee (Dr. Brendan Kelly; Brendan.Kelly@ttu.edu). Include the words *WTACI Scholarship* in the subject line.

[**http://www.wtaci.org**](http://www.wtaci.org)

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The West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute does not discriminate against race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin when selecting scholarship recipients.

**West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute**

**Scholarship Application**

Directions: This application must be filled out completely and accurately. Type all information on this form and submit it to Brendan.kelly@ttu.edu.

**I. Personal Information**

Name:

 Last First Middle

Current Address:

City: Zip: Phone:

Parent’s Address:

City: Zip: Phone:

**II. Educational Record**

1. Educational Institutions & Current Classification:

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| High School / College | Address | Years Attended | Degree or Diploma |
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2. College Scholastic Record (Please include a copy of academic transcript(s) – may be unofficial).

**III. Activities and special recognitions**

Attach a chronological list of all activities through which you gained special recognition in High school or college. Include activities such as student organizations, athletics, judging teams, honor societies, or any other activity showing leadership qualities.

Please use the following format (add additional lines as necessary):

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| School Year | Activity | Recognition |
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**IV. Discuss your current and future plans concerning a career related to agriculture.** (Please write a one page discussion of your goals and expectations.)

**V. Include at least three (3) letters of reference supporting your academic performance and career goals.**

**Release of Scholarship Information**

I hereby authorize the release of the contents of this application and information concerning my academic standing at University to the donor or official representative of any award I may receive and/or the news media.

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Date Signature (Insert > Text > Signature Line)

**Name and address of hometown newspaper**:

**VI. Mail in Application and Required Information.** The deadline for application is **May 16**. Recipients will be notified by **July 1**. The application should be filled out completely and emailed along with copies of transcripts and letters of reference to the Chairman of the West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute Scholarship Committee.

Dr. Brendan Kelly

 Chair, Scholarship Committee

 West Texas Agricultural Chemicals Institute

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