



***The Kern Agricultural Foundation BBQ Auxiliary Scholarship  
Application***

The Kern Agricultural Foundation BBQ Auxiliary is composed of civic minded individuals with a strong connection to the agriculture industry and a passion for providing opportunities for students seeking an education and career in agriculture. Each year, this group funds several scholarships to deserving applicants. A few of these applicants will receive scholarships named in honor of past members of the auxiliary who exhibited a significant contribution to the mission of the Kern Agricultural Foundation BBQ Auxiliary. This year three of the scholarship recipients will receive special recognition in the names of the following people:

**Chuck Skenfield**

Chuck Skenfield was active in the agriculture community in both crop and livestock production. Chuck joined the Stockdale Exchange Club in 1995 and was a very active member, helping to raise money for scholarships to give to agriculture students. He oversaw purchasing and helping prepare and serve the meals that raised thousands of dollars that were awarded as scholarships to local high school students over the years. He served as club president for several years and was instrumental in expanding membership and the formation of what is now the Kern Agricultural Foundation BBQ Auxiliary.

**John Mitchell**

John Mitchell grew up in Kern County and had a career, locally, as a pest control advisor. John was a longtime member of the Stockdale Exchange Club and a founding member of the Kern Agricultural Foundation BBQ Auxiliary, serving as President of the group for many years. His commitment to the agriculture industry and to providing opportunities for students is unparalleled.

**Michael Friebe**

Mike was an FFA member and an officer in the Foothill FFA Chapter in Bakersfield, CA. Mike showed pigs and sheep and was very active in both Leadership and Career Development Events. After graduating, Mike attended the California Highway Patrol Academy and served for many years as a patrolman in southern California. This scholarship is in memory of his service to both the FFA and our community.



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**Eligibility Requirements**

All applicants must:

1. Be a Senior at a High School in Kern County
2. Have a planned Ag Major or an Ag Related Major
3. Have a minimum "B" (3.0) GPA
4. Have a permanent residence in Kern County
5. Be enrolled in college this fall, 2025 and carry a full-time student load (12 semester units).
6. Attend the *Kern Ag Foundation Scholarship Awards Night Program* on Wednesday, May 7, 2025.

**The application, including applicant's transcripts, through Fall Semester 2025, are due, digitally, to the Kern Agricultural Foundation BBQ Auxiliary at [kafbbqaux@gmail.com](mailto:kafbbqaux@gmail.com) by 5:00 PM on March 14, 2025.**

Finalists will be contacted, and interviews will be on Friday, March 28, 2025 at 8 am at the regular breakfast meeting of the *Kern Ag. Foundation BBQ Auxiliary*, at Hodel's Restaurant.

**Applicants are evaluated by a combination of GPA, oral presentation, and extracurricular/intra-curricular activities.**



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**Biographical Information**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City/Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

**List all high schools attended (including your present school) with dates of enrollment and anticipated date of graduation.**

<b>Name and city of school</b>	<b>Dates of attendance</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Grad Date</b>	<b>GPA</b>
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**Planned College of Attendance:**

**Planned College Major:**

**I hereby certify that I have completed all the information on this application and that it is true and correct. I acknowledge that all information on this application may be disclosed to third parties for the purpose of scholarship consideration. If I am selected for a scholarship award, I authorize release of my biographical information for the use in publicity related to the scholarship program. I further agree that I will notify the Kern Ag Foundation promptly of any changes in my college, major or any other factor that may affect my eligibility for this award.**

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_



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**School and Community Activities**

**In the space below, please list all school and community activities in which you have been involved. Please include the dates of participation along with awards, committees or offices you have held.**



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**Statement of Educational Objectives**

**In the space below, or on an attached sheet, write an essay concerning your educational goals, your future in agriculture and what you believe to be some of the main issues facing agriculture.**