



Chippewa, Luce, Mackinac Conservation District Young Leaders Scholarship

Who can apply:

- High school seniors graduating from a Chippewa, Luce or Mackinac County High School
- OR**
- Any currently enrolled student at a post-secondary school who graduated from a high school in Chippewa, Luce or Mackinac County
 - *It can be vocational, certificate, degree, or training program*
 - Students must demonstrate their commitment to the agriculture or natural resources career path through community involvement, leadership ability and academic achievement through a written essay
 - Financial need is not required
 - Minimum GPA 2.8

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____ Date: _____
Last First M.I.

Address: _____
Street Address Apartment/Unit #

City State Zip Code

Phone: _____ Email: _____

High School Education

High School: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Test Score: ACT _____ SAT _____

Higher Education Information

Name of School Attending: _____

Address: _____

full-time or Part-time student: _____ Will you be attending a full academic year: _____

If no for either question, please explain: _____

Degree pursuing: _____ Major: _____ Minor: _____

Completed application and all required attachments must be turned into the Chippewa County Community Foundation by
APRIL 15, 2026

Drop off: CCCF
1122 E Easterday Ave Ste B
SSM, MI 49783
(located in the Michigan Works Building)

Mail to: CCCF
PO Box 1979
SSM, MI 49783

Email: info@chippewacountycf.org
Phone: 906-635-1046
www.chippewacountycommunityfoundation.org

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS:

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ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

- CCCF Standard Scholarship Application ☐
 - Current senior photo or current photo of student (*High quality Scan or submit physical copy*) ☐
To be used by CLMCD for public posting and award announcement
 - High school transcript listing all classes taken and grades received 9th through 12th grade with overall GPA ☐
- OR**
- University, college, vocational school transcript with all classes and grades received that also shows overall GPA
 - Written Essay (**requirements below**) ☐

Scholarship Essay Prompt

The future of agriculture and natural resource conservation depends on a new generation of leaders who can navigate complex challenges, foster collaboration, and effectively serve their communities. As an aspiring professional in this field, you will be asked to demonstrate your commitment to these principles.

Reflect on your experiences in a school, community, or volunteer setting related to agriculture or natural resources. In a well-structured essay, demonstrate your commitment to this career path by addressing the following three areas:

1. **Community Involvement:** Describe how, when, where, and why you actively engaged in the community in relation to the agriculture or natural resources field. Why is community involvement important to the agriculture and natural resources field?
2. **Leadership Ability:** What leadership opportunities have you had that will prove useful in your career path and why is leadership an important skill and trait to have in the natural resources or agriculture field?
3. **Academic Achievement:** Detail how you applied yourself and built knowledge and skills from your academic studies to set yourself up for success in the future? How will you use this knowledge and skills to achieve academic success in the post high school education program?

High School Seniors Essay Directions	Post High School Graduates Essay Directions
500- 1000 word essay using the prompt above	1000- 1500 word essay using the prompt above
Essay should be saved as .PDF	Essay should be saved as .PDF
12 pt. Times New Roman font	12 pt. Times New Roman font
double spaced	double spaced
1-inch margins.	1-inch margins.
Use of AI is not allowed	Use of AI is not allowed