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### **Applications open for the Canadian Agri-Business Education Foundation post-secondary scholarship**

*Grade 12 students enrolling in an agricultural university or college in Canada can  
apply until April 30, 2018*

[PORT ELGIN, ON] – The future of Canadian agriculture is bright and the Canadian Agri-Business Education Foundation (CABEF) provides financial support to encourage young people to pursue an education in agriculture. CABEF awards six \$2,500 scholarships annually to Grade 12 students enrolling in an agricultural university or college in Canada.

These scholarships are funded through generous donations from the Canadian agriculture industry. In 2017, CABEF raised close to \$114,000. Fundraising efforts in conjunction with [Best of CAMA \(Canadian Agri-Marketing Association\)](#) raised \$54,270 from live and silent auctions, and the Wall of Wine raffle for 24 bottles of wine. Other donations were made in cash, auction items and donated advertising space to promote the CABEF scholarship application deadline and the announcement of the scholarship recipients.

“We are proud to support the future of our agriculture industry by providing these scholarships,” said Rod Merryweather, chairman of the board for CABEF. “And I want to thank the many people, partners and companies within the Canadian agriculture industry for their generous support of CABEF to make these scholarships possible.”

One scholarship will be awarded in the provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, and Québec, with one additional scholarship to be awarded in the rest of or all of Canada.

Applicants will be assessed on a combination of their leadership attributes, academic standing, and essay response to the question "What do you consider to be the three main opportunities for the Canadian agriculture industry and which one inspires you the most?"

There is still time to apply as the 2018 scholarship application deadline is April 30, 2018. Application information can be found at [cabef.org](http://cabef.org).

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**About CABEF:**

The purpose of CABEF is to advance education and encourage excellence in the agriculture industry for the benefit of the public, by funding training and providing scholarships, bursaries and awards to students enrolled in an agriculture or related program at a university or college across Canada. For more information, visit [cabef.org](http://cabef.org).