

INSTRUCTIONS

Arvetta M. Lewis Scholarship Fund

\$500 Minimum Awards

**First Financial Bank
Trust and Asset Management ~ Pontiac**

Purpose: First Financial Bank serves as Trustee of the *Arvetta M. Lewis Scholarship Fund*. The Trustee is directed to solicit applications for scholarships from graduating Ford or Livingston County High School seniors.

1. Submit completed application packets on or before **May 15, 2024** to: First Financial Bank, Trust and Asset Management, 223 North Mill Street, P.O. Box 680, Pontiac, IL 61764-0680. The applicant may submit photocopies of transcripts, letters of recommendation, and similar applications, provided the copies are disclosing the information requested. However, each application must be certified and acknowledged with original signatures.
 - Application
 - Certified Transcript ~ identifying ACT Scores, GPA and Class Rank (# of #)
 - Letter of Recommendation from Teacher or Administrator
 - Scholarship Instruction Sheet
2. Applicant selection will be based on:
 - Character
 - Scholastic achievement
 - Professional promise
 - Career plans
 - Community involvement
 - Recommendation of Teacher or Administrator
 - Financial need
3. **The applicant must enroll as a full time agriculture student in the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois.**
4. The applicant's program of study must begin in the same year of graduating from high school.
5. The scholarship check will be issued to the University of Illinois for the benefit of the student.
6. The selection of the recipients will be announced in May.

ATTACH THIS INSTRUCTION SHEET TO BACK OF APPLICATION.

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APPLICATION

1. Applicant _____
Address _____ Phone _____
City, State, Zip _____
Email Address _____
Place and date of birth _____ High School Graduation Year _____

2. Please state your career plans, including the major field of study. **The applicant must enroll as a full time agriculture student in the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois.** Any past employment or experiences may be included.

Field of Study _____

3. List your participation in school activities and offices held.

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Application

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4. List your participation in community activities and offices held.

5. Are you applying for any other scholarships? YES NO

If yes, please list below and indicate the amount. Mark those scholarships received.

<u>Scholarship</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Received</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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6. Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

Parents' Adjusted Gross Income from 2023 Federal Income Tax Form \$ _____

Father's Employment _____

Mother's Employment _____

Number of dependents on this income: _____ Number of siblings in college: _____

7. Have you or will you complete the Federal Student Aid application? Yes No

If yes, please identify your Estimated Family Contribution from the your application \$ _____

8. Identify the following continuing education costs for one year:

Tuition \$ _____, and Room and Board \$ _____

9. Indicate the amount of financial aid available from parents, guardian, or other organizations per year \$ _____. If the financial aid is not cash, please explain:

10. Do you have part-time or summer employment? Yes No
If yes, please list your employer, position and earnings.

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Earnings</u>
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11. List three personal references, non-family members, who would attest to your work habits and character.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
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12. The application packet must include the following items.
 - A. Completed Application with original signatures.
 - B. Certified Transcript ~ identifying ACT Scores, GPA and Class Rank (# of #).
 - C. Letter of Recommendation from Teacher and Administrator.
 - D. Scholarship Instruction Sheet.
13. All scholarship award checks will be payable to the institution for the benefit of the recipient.
14. I certify that I have completed this application and all statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature

Applicant's Social Security #

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date

Please include all items and or information requested in the Instructions.