

Kern County Cattlegirls

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Bakersfield, CA 93380

2021

2021 Ruth Smoot-French Memorial Scholarship

Ruth French, a long time member of the Kern County Cattlegirls's Association, was Cowbell (now known as Cattlegirls) of the Year in 1977 and president of the organization in 1981. This scholarship fund was started in her honor in remembrance of the many contributions she made to the cattle industry.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

All Applicants must meet the following criteria;

1. Be a high school senior or current college/university student whose primary residence is in Kern County.
2. Students must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.5 or better.
3. Ag major, planned Ag major or an Ag related major:
4. Special consideration will be given to applicants who have a relative who is a current member of KCCW.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION:

The application is complete when all the following are submitted;

1. The application form including supplemental questions
2. An official transcript of school records to be submitted
Request a paper copy of your official transcript from your school registrar
NOTE: this may take several days or weeks at some colleges
3. One current letter of recommendation

Completed application, including applicant's official transcripts and current letter of recommendation, must be mailed to KCCW and be post marked no later than **March 1, 2021**. Questions please call April @ 661-578-7621

KCCW
C/O April Woody
PO Box 7
Woody, CA 93287

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Application must be typewritten and submitted via US Mail
- Essays must use only the space allotted for answers.

SELECTION

Applicants are evaluated on a combination of GPA, extracurricular activities, supplemental question and letter of recommendation. Additional points are awarded to applicants whose relative is a member of the KCCW.

A scoring rubric has been included for your reference.

Scholarship recipients will be invited to attend the Scholarship Award Banquet in May, 2021 at the Kern Ag Foundation.

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2021-Kern County Cattle Women Ruth Smoot-French Memorial Scholarship Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: Last First Middle Initial

Permanent Address (Number and Street) Telephone Number

City State Zip Code County

Address of current residence (Number and Street) Telephone Number

City State Zip Code County

Email address

Name of Parent or Guardian

Name of relative that is a member of the Kern County Cattle Women (if applicable)

By submitting this application for consideration for this scholarship, I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate.

Typed Name or Written Signature of Applicant

Date

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High school or college currently attending

estimated date of graduation

Current overall GPA

Proposed college of attendance for the 2021-2022 academic year and major

The following person (non-relative) has furnished a letter of recommendation:

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- 1. In the space below please list school and community activities in which you have been involved. Please indicate the dates of participation along with awards you have won or offices you have held.**
- 2. In the space below please describe your agricultural experiences and/or future agricultural related goals.**

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3. Essay Topic: There has become an increasing disparity in what the cattle rancher receives for the sale of their beef and what the consumer pays at the market. In a researched, well organized, documented essay, discuss the causes of those disparities and possible solutions.

KCCW Application Rubric-Total of 25 points possible

| Score Levels | Grade Point Average | Extracurricular Activities | Supplemental Questions | Letter of Recommendation | Essay |
|--------------|---|--|--|---|--|
| 5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.0-3.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A variety of activities related to the agricultural industry Evidence of leadership roles Clearly organized, no errors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is well thought out and supports the question No spelling or punctuation errors Claims supported by evidence Clearly organized and focused on topic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge of applicant Strongly supportive of applicant Gives examples of applicants skills, talents ,knowledge, etc. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is well thought out and supports the question No spelling or punctuation errors Claims supported by evidence Clearly organized and focused on topic |
| 4-3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.5-3.0 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A variety of activities are listed Little evidence of leadership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few spelling, grammar or punctuation errors Good use of vocabulary and word choice Supports the question Focused on topic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge of applicant Supportive of applicant Few specific examples given | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few spelling, grammar or punctuation errors Good use of vocabulary and word choice Supports the question Focused on topic |
| 2-1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.0-2.5 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few activities listed Poorly organized No evidence of leadership | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some grammar, punctuation and spelling errors Lacks evidence for claims Wanders from topic Poorly organized | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weak letter showing little knowledge of applicant | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some grammar, punctuation and spelling errors Lacks evidence for claims Wanders from topic Poorly organized |