



SANTA MARIA FAIRPARK FOUNDATION

2026 AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS AND INDUSTRIAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP Due Date: June 16, 2026

Dear Students & Advisors,

The Santa Maria Fairpark Foundation invites all high school juniors and seniors, as well as students one year out from high school who are active 4-H, FFA, Grange and Independent participants to apply for the 2026 Agricultural Mechanics and Industrial Arts Scholarship. **If you're enrolled in a high school that is following the California State Plan for Vocational Agriculture, or in a 4- H, FFA, Grange or Independent project, please apply!**

Each exhibit/project must be constructed and/or rebuilt by the student as a part of their regular instruction in Agricultural Mechanics or Industrial Arts for the past year.

The successful applicant is guaranteed to receive a \$1,000 cash prize. The Foundation scholarship committee will select the scholarship recipient after viewing all project submissions.

APPLICATION / SELECTION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

- Must be a high school junior or senior or student one year out of high school eligible to exhibit at the 2026 Santa Barbara County Fair.
- Fill out and submit the application via email by 5pm on Tuesday, June 16, 2026. Please include at least one photo of your project. In-progress photos will be accepted.**
- Participate in the live auction on Saturday, July 11, 2026.
- The cash prize will be awarded following the close of the Santa Barbara County Fair and no later than August 31, 2026.

APPLICATION DEADLINE – JUNE 16, 2026

The application and all supporting documentation must be emailed by 5pm on June 16, 2026.

EMAIL TO:

SANTA MARIA FAIRPARK FOUNDATION, INC.

Katy Dockstader, President

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Name: _____ 4-H/FFA/Grange/Independent Club: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Year in High School: _____

List all offices you currently hold as well as offices you have held in the past (begin with current offices).

List your school and community involvement activities, both past and current (begin with current activities).

List all agriculture-focused projects you have participated in starting with the most current. This includes 4-H, FFA, and Independent projects as well as projects that fund raise, create awareness and promote agriculture – both crop and livestock.

What are some of your educational and career goals for the next four years?

Please provide a brief description of your project and email a photo (in-progress photos accepted).

**MISSION STATEMENT
SANTA MARIA FAIRPARK FOUNDATION, INC.**

The mission of the Santa Maria Fairpark Foundation Inc., a non-profit public benefit corporation 501(c)(3), is working to preserve and enrich the heritage of the 37th District Agriculture Association – the Santa Maria Fairpark – and showcasing agricultural industries to the community. The Foundation offers support to 4-H, FFA, Grange and like-minded youth programs, promotes agricultural education opportunities, and maintains a standard of excellence and expansion in the facilities at the Fairpark by supporting capital improvement programs.

As the 2026 Foundation Scholarship Winner, you will be representing the Foundation and our mission. Why is it important to preserve and enrich the heritage and traditions of the Santa Maria Fairpark and promote agricultural education programs and opportunities? Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Please list three references - one personal and two academic. No family members.

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