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Accepting Applications for Newly Created Larry E. Sitzman Youth in Nebraska Agriculture Scholarship

College students enrolled as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at a fully accredited college, university or technical college in an agriculture related degree program in Nebraska are encouraged to apply for the Larry E. Sitzman Youth in Nebraska Agriculture Scholarship. The deadline to apply is December 15th. Students may apply for the scholarship online by visiting the youth tab on www.nepork.org.

Larry E. Sitzman learned patriotism, service to our country, and respect for our leaders from his parents. While in high school he heard John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Address, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country." This address increased his desire to serve.

Agriculture has been his passion. Throughout his life he has provided service in various forms and from different positions of leadership. Sitzman is known for sharing his voice defending perspectives and asking challenging questions. He served on many state and national agricultural boards before being named the Director of Agriculture for Nebraska in 1991. He ended his working role as Executive Director of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association in 2016. Today, Sitzman serves as an active volunteer leader at the Veterans Administration in Lincoln.

Academics, agriculture, military, and other forms of public service have all improved in some measure due to the leadership, service, and voice of Larry E. Sitzman. Upon his retirement, the Nebraska Pork Producers Association established this scholarship in his honor.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be currently enrolled as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student at a fully accredited college, university or technical college in an agriculture related degree program in Nebraska
- Must have at least one full year of study remaining towards degree
- Must have plans to work in the agriculture industry upon graduation

Selection will be based on qualities of leadership and participation in collegiate or extracurricular activities related to the agriculture industry.

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The Larry E. Sitzman Youth in Nebraska Agriculture Scholarship is a \$1,000 scholarship that will be awarded to one deserving applicant each year.

If you have questions, please contact Kyla Habrock, Youth Education Director for the Nebraska Pork Producers Association at kyla@nepork.org or 402-472-2528.

The Nebraska Pork Producers Association is a grassroots, incorporated, non profit organization established in 1961. NPPA was developed to promote the pork industry through the enhancement of consumer demand, producer education and research. For more information, visit NPPA's website at www.NEpork.org.