



CA dairy processors want to support your future in dairy!

Apply today for CCOA's 2026 Scholarship Program.

The California Creamery Operators Association provides scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 - \$2,000 to students interested in careers in the dairy industry or food processing/engineering fields.

Applicants must be CA college students in their 2nd or 3rd year.

To apply, just answer 5 questions, and submit a resume and unofficial transcript.

The deadline is April 30, 2026.



CALIFORNIA CREAMERY OPERATORS ASSOCIATION
2026 Scholarship Application

To encourage and support students interested in pursuing a processing/engineering field, the California Creamery Operators Association provides scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 - \$2,000. Scholarship is contingent on a career in the dairy or food industry, as well as performance. **Eligibility:** Applicants must be junior or senior agricultural/food degree OR who may be pursuing in the dairy processing field. Applicants must be enrolled in a 4-year university.

Application Requirements/Instructions:

- Completed form (Sections One and Two)
- Completed 5 short answer questions (Section Three) submitted on separate page. Each answer should be 1-2 paragraphs.
- Attach an unofficial transcript (if completed)
- Attach a one-page professional resume summarizing all relevant experience
- Applicant must be current college junior or senior OR agricultural/food degree OR who may be pursuing in the dairy processing field
- Email completed application materials electronically to ccoa@ccoa.org by April 30, 2026.

Section One:

First and Last Name: _____

Permanent Address - Street Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____

Alternate Your Address - Street Address Line 1: _____
 City: _____ State: _____

Email Address: _____
(Applicants will be notified of scholarship results via email.)

Section Two:

Current university: _____

Expected graduation year: _____

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*Current year includes (Year 2) or (4) year (senior/junior)

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Section 3: Short Answer Questions

1. Describe your career aspirations and why you are interested in a future career in the California dairy industry.

2. Please summarize any work experience to date, including any jobs, internships, or volunteer responsibilities and what you have learned from those experiences.

3. Please list any recent scholarships, honors or awards received to date.

4. Please list any leadership or community volunteer positions you have held (e.g. youth, civic, academic, etc.)

5. Please tell us what your favorite dairy beverage or food is and why.



< Download the short application at ccoadairy.org/scholarships