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**MAEF Scholarship General Guidelines and Selection Criteria**

**Purpose**

To provide financial assistance to Maryland residents who are undergraduate or graduate students enrolled in agriculture majors, with a preference for those majoring in ag education and/or extension and pursuing careers in Maryland.

**Scholarship Award**

- One or more \$1,000 awards annually
- May be awarded more than once to same individual
- Application reviews and awards made by the MAEF Secondary Education Committee

**Selection Criteria**

**Residency**

Applicant must be a resident of the State of Maryland

**Qualifying Institutions**

- o University of Maryland College Park (including Institute of Applied Agriculture) and University of Maryland Eastern Shore
- o Maryland community colleges
- o Out-of-state institutions offering an accredited agricultural education and/or agricultural extension, or agriculture major.

**Award Priorities**

- o Four-year undergraduate program with interest in teaching in Maryland (1<sup>st</sup> preference)
- o Graduate program advancing Ag education or Ag extension careers in Maryland
- o Four-year undergraduate program in agriculture
- o Two year undergraduate program in agriculture

**Applicant Evaluation**

- o Financial need
- o Academic record
- o Demonstrated leadership & community service
- o FFA, 4-H, MANRRS or other organization membership and service record
- o Agricultural background and career goals

Selection Criteria	Percentage Points	
	Potential	Received
Financial Need	10	
Academic Record	30	
Leadership & Community Service FFA, 4-H or other organization activities	30	
Agricultural Background & Career Goals	30	
Total:	100	

Note: General guidelines and selection criteria may be modified by the MAEF Secondary Education Committee as deemed necessary to meet changing education program goals.