

# AGRICULTURE SERVICE BOARD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



## Wheatland County

**Deadline: September 15, 2025**

Submit application forms to [agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca](mailto:agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca)

Are you a student studying Agricultural or Environmental studies and residing in Wheatland County?

Apply today for the ASB Scholarship, offering support of up to **\$2,500!**

The Wheatland County Agricultural Service Board (ASB) recognizes the importance of youth within the agricultural industry and rural communities in Wheatland County.

To aid students wishing to pursue a career in an agricultural or environmental related field, the ASB offers annual scholarships of up to \$10,000, with a minimum award of \$500 and a maximum award of \$2,500.

**Application packages are available from the County office or [www.wheatlandcounty.ca](http://www.wheatlandcounty.ca)**

For more information contact

Ph: 403-361-2000

[agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca](mailto:agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca)

**Submit completed applications and required supporting information to:**

[agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca](mailto:agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca) or in-person to  
Wheatland County, ASB Scholarship  
242006 Range Road 243, Wheatland County, AB  
T1P 2C4

## Terms and Conditions

Please read the following information and instructions carefully before submitting an application.

1. Successful applicants will receive a minimum of \$500 and a maximum of \$2,500 depending upon the number of applicants that meet the criteria.
2. Scholarships are available to high school graduates (within 3 years) residing within the boundaries of Wheatland County.
3. Provide a copy of high school and post-secondary (if applicable) transcripts.
4. Provide a copy of your Letter of Acceptance stating the course of studies from the accredited post-secondary institute and that you are enrolled in an Program with a focus on agricultural and/or environmental studies.
5. Submit a brief essay (500 to 1000 words) that introduces yourself and highlights your involvement in volunteering or extracurricular activities within your local community or school. Additionally, outline your career aspirations and elaborate on the reasons behind your passion for agricultural and/or environmental fields.
6. Complete FOIP documentation attached on application
7. Successful applicants will be selected on the grounds of academic merit, school and community activities, and a short essay.
8. Applications and required documentation will be reviewed by the ASB Scholarships Committee who will make a recommendation to the Board regarding selections.
9. Funds awarded will be made payable to the student's accredited post-secondary institution with the condition that funds be used for tuition, learning resources, or accommodation. Should the student leave the institution prior to the funds being expended, the balance will be returned to Wheatland County.
10. Submit a head and shoulder photograph of yourself (digital or print) and photo consent form. Wallet sized graduation pictures are acceptable. If your application is successful the photo will be used in the ASB meeting package and County communications.
11. Paper documents and photographs will not be returned.
12. Funding is **not available** to persons qualifying for or participating in job training assistance grants, or previous scholarship recipients.



# ASB Scholarship Application

**Application Deadline: September 15, 2025**

Applications must be post-marked on or before **September 15, 2025**. Late applications will not be accepted.

## Applicant Information

Applicant Name (s):
Address (including Postal Code):
Email:
Phone Number:
Post-Secondary Program:
Post-Secondary Institution:

## Essay

Submit a brief essay (500 to 1000 words) that introduces yourself and highlights your involvement in volunteering or extracurricular activities within your local community or school. Additionally, outline your career aspirations and elaborate on the reasons behind your passion for agricultural and/or environmental fields.

## Application Checklist

- Completed application form, FOIP document and essay.
- Copy of high school and/or post-secondary (if applicable) transcripts.
- Letter of Acceptance stating the course of studies from the post-secondary institute.
- Head and shoulders photograph of the applicant and photo consent form.

## Personal Information and Confidentiality Statement

The personal information in this Agricultural Service Board (ASB) scholarship application form is collected under the authority of s. 33(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP). Questions about collection of this information can be directed to the Wheatland County FOIP Coordinator at (403) 934-3321 or admin@wheatlandcounty.ca.

In submitting this application, you authorize Wheatland County to disclose the information provided on this form and any supplementary information to the ASB for the purpose of determining award recipients, and for use in Wheatland County communications. Personal information such as phone number, address, and email

## Declaration

I declare that the information provided is accurate or correct to the best of my knowledge, and if awarded a scholarship, I agree to comply with all Terms pertaining to this Application.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please fill out the FOIP document on the last two pages or application will not be accepted.**

## Scholarship Submission

**Send complete application with the required supporting information to:**

**Email:** agandenv@wheatlandcounty.ca

**Mail to:** Wheatland County, ASB Scholarship  
242006 Range Road 243, Wheatland County, AB T1P 2C4

*Applicants will be notified of the results by November 1, 2025.*

# Wheatland County Agricultural Service



**MISSION** *The ASB develops and implements programs and policies that focus on the areas of weeds, pests, soil and water conservation, and environmental issues for the benefit of all residents, in partnership with other government agencies, the agriculture industry and residents on agricultural programs and issues.*

## Agricultural Service Board

Wheatland County’s Agriculture and Environment department continues the legacy of the 78-year-old Agricultural Service Board (ASB). Established in 1946, the ASB has supported producers and spearheaded over 30 years of agricultural conservation efforts. The department’s activities are guided by the directives of Alberta Agriculture, the Wheatland County ASB, and Wheatland County Council. It collaborates with other County staff to advance agricultural and environmental priorities and capitalize on emerging opportunities.

Operating under the Alberta Agricultural Service Board Act, the ASB directs the Agriculture and Environment department in weed control, pest management, soil conservation, and animal health as per provincial statutes. The department administers these services for the Board.

Aligned with federal and provincial priorities, Wheatland County has long championed agri-environmental initiatives supporting the agricultural industry, including soil and surface water management, on-farm environmental stewardship, and farm material recycling. The County has extended its support through workshops, public communications, one-on-one assistance, and funding programs, enhancing knowledge levels and encouraging the adoption of best practices among producers.

## Agriculture & Food Production in Wheatland County

Wheatland County, covering 4,545 km<sup>2</sup> with 8,738 residents, is an agricultural hub and the traditional homeland of the Plains Siksika–Blackfoot people. It honors its farming and ranching heritage through century farms and agricultural events, with 825 farms providing food for local, Canadian, and global markets. The Western Irrigation District, headquartered in Strathmore, supplies irrigation water to 110,000 acres within Rocky View County and Wheatland County. As of 2021, 911,364 acres of cropland exist, featuring field crops like wheat, barley, canola, field peas, flax, and oats.

The County hosts three Cooperative Seed Cleaning Plants and major livestock production, with significant populations of cattle, calves, and pigs. Additionally, niche farms offer diverse culinary experiences and agri-tourism opportunities. Substantial oil, gas, solar, and wind energy activities are also present within its agricultural lands.

## Services

The Agriculture and Environment Department provides many services

Weed and pest inspections	Environmental Farm Plan delivery
Vegetation management (mowing and spraying roadsides and other County properties)	Financial support for agricultural organizations working in partnership with Wheatland County
Plant, weed, and pest identification support	Member of the Red Bow Agricultural Partnership (agricultural events)
Weed control program (weed control on private and public lands)	External grant programs (Watershed Resiliency and Restoration Program)
Seed cleaning plant inspections and licensing	Technical assistance for producer grant applications (SCAP Programs)
Richardson’s ground squirrel control on County land	ALUS Wheatland - agricultural ecosystem services payment program
Animal disease support, animal welfare inspection, and wildlife call response	Funding Programs (Wheatland Agricultural Stewardship Program, Safe Water Wells Action Program, Shelterbelt and Eco-buffer program)
Livestock predation response	ASB Scholarship Program
Pest surveys (weeds, grasshopper, clubroot, fusarium, bertha army worm, etc.)	BMO Farm Family Award
Soil conservation inspection	External grant program coordination
Erosion control seeding and support	Agricultural extension event planning
Agricultural Plastic Recycling (chemical container collection)	Educational outreach
On-farm grain bag rolling and recycling program	Review of Planning & Development files
Rental equipment program and maintenance	Environmental Stewardship Award
Classroom Agricultural Program	BMP demonstration sites



## CONSENT FORM

FOR COLLECTION & USE OF PERSONALLY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION IN PHOTOS, AUDIO AND/OR VIDEO RECORDS

### PURPOSE OF COLLECTION/ANTICIPATED USES

Wheatland County (the "County") uses photos, audio and/or video for promotional and informational purposes. The photos, audio, and/or video may be used by the County in its print materials such as posters, brochures, and/or on County websites and social media, and may contain personally identifiable images of you (or your child).

### DATE AND DESCRIPTION OF PHOTO AND/OR VIDEO

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
LOCATION

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DESCRIPTION

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
LAST NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST NAME

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CHILD'S LAST NAME (if applicable)

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CHILD'S FIRST NAME (if applicable)

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ADDRESS

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CITY

\_\_\_\_\_  
PROVINCE

\_\_\_\_\_  
POSTAL CODE

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE NUMBER

### BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

- You consent to the use, reproduction, and publication of photo, audio, and/or video and other personal information of you (or your child) for the purposes stated above by the County.
- You agree that the original and any copies of the photo, audio, and/or video will become the County's sole property.
- You understand that you will receive no compensation for the use and distribution of the photo, audio, and/or video of you (or your child).



- You release the County from all liability in connection with the usage of the photos, audio, and/or video and from all liability you may have against the County.
- You waive any right to inspect or approve the finished product where your (or your child's) photo, audio, and/or video appears.
- You acknowledge that you are under no obligation to consent and agree and that it is your voluntary decision to do so. With respect to the County's use of the photo, audio, and/or video, you also understand that having given your permission, you may also withdraw it at any time by notifying the County in writing, provided that the County shall continue to have your consent to distribute any photo, audio, and/or video which has already been produced or that the County has committed to producing prior to the withdrawal.
- You certify that you have read and fully understand this consent form.
- You certify that all questions about this consent have been answered satisfactorily.

**By signing below, you are agreeing to the terms of this agreement.**

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**Persons in photos, audio and/or video who are under 18 years of age must have a parent or legal guardian sign and print his/her name below.**

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\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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SIGNATURE (only if granting consent)

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME

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WITNESS

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRINT NAME

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