



OKFB Young Farmers and Ranchers Achievement Award 2016 Application

Oklahoma Farm Bureau conducts an annual Young Farmers and Ranchers (YF&R) Achievement Award competitive event. Selection of the Achievement Award winner is based on his/her efforts in production agriculture and leadership achievement. **The ideal candidate(s) for the Achievement Award is an individual or couple involved in production agriculture with a majority of his/her income subject to normal production risks.** The winner will be announced at the Oklahoma Farm Bureau Annual Meeting in November and will receive a trip to the AFBF Annual Meeting in Phoenix, AZ, in January 2017.

Eligibility

- An applicant can be either an individual or a married couple. Applicant may choose to apply individually, rather than as a couple.
- Applicant(s) shall be a Farm Bureau member(s) between the ages of 18 and 35 in good standing with his/her county Farm Bureau. The individual or spouse shall not have reached his/her 36th birthday by Jan. 31, 2017.
- Applicant(s) must be actively engaged in farming and/or ranching, with the majority of his/her income coming from production agriculture.

Entry Form and Application Guidelines

- Do not use applicant’s name, the name of his/her state or county, or any names that may bring about the recognition or identification of the applicant’s state beyond the entry form.
- The entry form and application must be completed in third person, using “A1” and “A2” to denote each applicant. Do not use abbreviations or acronyms.

Judging

Judging is based on the application sent to Oklahoma Farm Bureau.

Values used in judging the applications will be:

Farm Operation and Growth	70 points
Financial Progress of Operation	60 points
Farm Bureau Leadership	40 points
<u>Other Leadership</u>	<u>30 points</u>
TOTAL	200 points

Deadline

All applications must be submitted to Brittany Mikles at the Oklahoma Farm Bureau home office: 2501 N Stiles, OKC, OK 73105. Applications may be emailed to brittany.mikles@okfb.org and must be time stamped on or before **11:59 p.m. CST Oct. 14, 2016**, to be considered for state recognition and awards. For questions, please email or call Brittany at (405) 205-0066.



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The applicant(s) should read this entry form and application carefully before completing any part of it. The entry form and application must be emailed to **brittany.mikles@okfb.org** and time stamped on or before **11:59 p.m. CST Oct 14, 2016**, or may be mailed to Brittany Mikles at the Oklahoma Farm Bureau home office: 2501 N Stiles, OKC, OK 73105.

The data below and throughout the application applies to you and your spouse, if married. Please indicate "Applicant 1" (A1) and "Applicant 2" (A2) when applicable.

Applicant(s)*: A1 _____ A2 _____

**Will be used in the program and for recognition*

Phonetic Pronunciation: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____

Email: A1 _____

A2 _____

Date of Birth: A1 _____ A2 _____

Education/Degree: A1 _____ A2 _____

Short Courses/Specialized Study: A1 _____

A2 _____

I (we) hereby certify the information on this entry form and attached application to be accurate and true statements. OKFB reserves the right to use my (our) photos and/or any video footage for use in promoting Farm Bureau. The photos and/or video footage of the undersigned contestant(s) may also be available to sponsors of Farm Bureau events. By participating in the Event, I (we) warrant that I (we) fully and unconditionally agree to and accept the YF&R official contest rules and the decisions of the YF&R Committee, which are final and binding.

Applicant(s) Signature(s): A1 _____ A2 _____

PERSONAL BACKGROUND (family, education and personal interests)

Note: Remember to use "A1" and "A2" when referring to applicants.

AGRICULTURAL STATUS (Select all that apply)

Owner

Renter

Manager

Please Explain if:

Partnership

Corporation

Joint Venture

Other

Explanation:

Please indicate and justify the percentage of contribution in the operation by the applicant(s) in the following areas:

_____ % personal capitol involved

_____ % management/decision making

Please list specific responsibilities of the applicant(s):

Total Acres Operated: _____ Total Acres Owned: _____

Year Applicant(s) started farming or ranching: _____

AGRICULTURAL OPERATION

List Major Crops	First Year: _____	Current Year	
	<i>Number of Acres</i>	<i>Number of Acres</i>	<i>Yield per Acre</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

Under "Volume of Production," indicate number of head pounds, dozen or other appropriate measure of volume.

Volume of Production

Enterprise	First Year: _____	Current Year
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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AGRICULTURAL OPERATION (continued)

Please explain the operation if the agricultural enterprise does not fit within sections A and B.

List other agricultural or related business enterprises, describing the size, relationship and importance to the total operation (i.e., custom harvesting, processing, ag tourism, etc.).

Discuss any unusual situations/problems that may have affected the operation that the applicant(s) has overcome and solved.

PROGRESS OF OPERATION

What were 5 goals you had in your first year of farming & ranching?

How have you accomplished those 5 goals?

What are 5 goals you would like to accomplish in the future on your operation?

APPLICANT'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Note: All information submitted is regarded as confidential, and upon completion of judging, all applications are returned to the OKFB office to be destroyed.

Current market value of the share of just the applicant(s) of:

ASSETS	First Year: _____	2015
1. Value of land, building and other improvements	_____	_____
2. Value of machinery and equipment	_____	_____
3. Value of livestock and poultry	_____	_____
4. Value of crops and supplies on hand	_____	_____
5. Value of non-farm real estate assets	_____	_____
6. Value of cash, stocks, bonds, other personal assets	_____	_____
7. Non-ag assets (primary dwelling, rental homes, etc.)	_____	_____
TOTAL ASSETS	_____	_____
LIABILITIES		
1. Current liabilities (less than one year)	_____	_____
2. Intermediate liabilities	_____	_____
3. Long-term liabilities (10 years and up)	_____	_____
TOTAL LIABILITIES	_____	_____
NET WORTH (total assets-total liabilities)	_____	_____

List any other income sources during years applicant has been farming (spouse, off-farm income, etc.):

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

List Farm Bureau leadership roles, involvement opportunities, recognitions and/or awards received by the applicant(s), indicating service on committees, boards or as officers.

Note: This applies to both applicants, if applying together. Please indicate A1 and A2 when applicable.

County Farm Bureau	Years
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State/American Farm Bureau	Years
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