Hello from the Benefactor:

Before applying for this scholarship, I'd like you to know a little bit about its origin.

It started right here in Keosauqua on 120 acres. A little man of 5'6", and his wife, a former country school teacher, came to Van Buren County from Emporia, Kansas in 1942. Ellis and Lura Collinge, with their two children, were determined to make "a go" at Iowa farming. Sitting on his 1937 Allis-Chalmers, Ellis planted his first crop of corn. Together, they raised their family. They also raised hogs, cattle, sheep, chickens, and even geese. The Collinges loved Van Buren County.

My name is Frances Collinge Northup, daughter of Ellis & Lura Collinge. I grew up on that farm and eventually dated my future husband, Harlen L. Northup. He helped farm with my father and brother, Howard. Harlan and I graduated in 1955, and shortly, you too will graduate from the same Alma Mater.

Back in our day, it was called Keosauqua High School. Harlan and I were very active not only in school, but within the community. He played basketball, was a class officer, tumbled, sang in the school choir, was a lead student in Industrial Arts (Shop), a lifeguard for Lacey Park, and a youth member of the United Methodist Church, right here in Keosauqua. Just like my husband, my focus was centered around developing my character and a commitment to our community. I was active for four years as a class officer and student council member. I was also a member of Future Homemakers of America (FHA), a student Librarian, Yearbook staff, Choir, a Rainbow Girl affiliated with the Easter Star/Masonic Lodge and a member of the United Methodist Church. We were married in 1956 in that same church. We loved serving our school and our community.

Although my parents, brother, and husband have all departed this life, the farm is still being farmed, and our family memories are still very much alive.

Based on this love, it is my sincere privilege to pass on to you a small piece of my parents' heartfelt legacy. This scholarship is given in the name of those who worked tirelessly, daily, to better themselves and their community. It is my hope that you will continue their legacy through a profession in agriculture or education.

Again, thank you for applying, and I look forward to meeting the two, well-deserving recipients of this scholarship. Best Wishes!

Mrs. Frances A. (Collinge) Northup

Collinge/Northup Scholarship

Criteria:

- High School Senior from Van Buren County Community School
- Financial Need
- Strong Character
- Involvement in school activities
- Involvement in community activities
- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Must be enrolled in a technical school, community college or four year college
- Must have an intended major in education or agriculture related fields only
- Scholarship may be used for tuition, room and board, and/or books
- DEADLINE April 15th

Two \$400 scholarships will be awarded. One male, One female

Application:			
Name	Gender		
Address	City		
State	Zip Code		
Student Email	Parent(s) Name(s)		
Please list the activities you have been part of during High School.			
School Activities	Community Activities		
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Achievement Information:

G.P.A. *2.5 Minimum	ACT Score	
SAT Score	Accuplacer Score	

College/Institution Information:

College/Or Technical School Name & Location	
Selected Major *Education or Agriculture fields only	

Essay Questions:

1. Why do you need this scholarship? (Please explain. Minimum 500 words

2. What are your future plans for your education and career? (Please explain. Minimum 500 words.