



Rediscover Wheat

2026 David Radenbergs Memorial Scholarship

Background

David Radenbergs was a lifelong wheat farmer in Claflin, where his family has farmed for more than 100 years.

He represented central Kansas on the Kansas Wheat Commission from April 2011 to March 2020, including serving as chairman from August 2018 to May 2019. Radenbergs was also a founding board member of the Kansas Wheat Commission Research Foundation.

During his tenure as a commissioner, he supported wheat research and international marketing efforts, including attending the 31st annual Latin American Millers Conference in Lima, Peru, in 2013. At the time, he expressed how he enjoyed sharing with millers, bakers and merchandisers about the research investments Kansas farmers are making to provide a better-quality product.

In 2013, David also visited multiple Pacific Rim countries to promote U.S. wheat. The contrast of third-world poverty in thriving modern cities left an impression on him and re-enforced his support of wheat research to help feed a hungry world.

The scholarship fund will award one \$1,000 scholarship per year to a current undergraduate or graduate student from Kansas, pursuing a career in the field of agriculture. Incoming freshmen or transfers are not eligible. To be eligible for the scholarship, applicants must be enrolled as a full-time student at any two- or four-year college or university in Kansas. Preference will be given to students pursuing a career related to the improvement of wheat, i.e., wheat genetics, wheat agronomics, wheat breeding, plant pathology, Extension, bioinformatics.



Radenbergs in South Korea (Third from the left)

Guidelines:

- Submit typed application with signature, postmarked by **Friday, March 13, 2026**.
- Attach a separate page for requested information (awards and honors, community service, etc.) or a resume.
- This is a financial needs-based scholarship. Applicants are required to submit a Statement of Financial Need. Guidelines can be found here: <http://bit.ly/3XTezXO>
- Attach a 400–500-word essay sharing why you have chosen to pursue a career in agriculture.

Personal Information:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____ Zip: _____

Name of Parents/Guardian: _____

Home Phone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Education Information:

High School: _____

College currently enrolled in:

Field of Study: _____

Current GPA: _____

On a separate page, please list awards and honors you have received, community service activites, student groups and organizations that you are active in, leadership activities and employment experience. Attaching a resume is also acceptable.

On a separate page, please attach an essay sharing why you have chosen to pursue a career in agriculture. The essay should be between 400-500 words.

MAIL OR EMAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

KANSAS WHEAT

ATTENTION: AARON HARRIES

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Applications must be post marked no later than March 14, 2025.