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## Friends of the California State Fair Announce 2022-23 Scholarship Program

*High school seniors and current college students are encouraged to apply* 

**SACRAMENTO** — The Friends of the California State Fair announced the opening of their application process for the annual "Friends of The California State Fair Scholarship Program."

The scholarship program – eligible to all current high school seniors and college students – is a collaboration between the Friends of The California State Fair, the California Exposition & State Fair, the Ironstone Concours Foundation, the Blue Diamond Growers, and the California State Fair Agricultural Advisory Council.

"Not only do we at Cal Expo believe in hosting fun events for all of our family, friends, and loved ones in the community, but we also want to support the educational endeavors of students to achieve their goals and dreams," said Rick Pickering, CEO of Cal Expo. "We are honored to help students across California further their educational aspirations and to continue giving back to the community."

This past year, students from twenty-three different counties in California were awarded a total of \$46,000 of scholarships during the 2021-2022 academic year. Students who are passionate about achieving their goals, exhibit leadership, and present civic accomplishments are encouraged to apply.

There are several different specific scholarships available, including the areas of Agriculture, Art, Business, Education, and more. For more information on categories, eligibility, and frequently asked questions, visit the <u>Cal Expo State Fair Website</u>. The application deadline is March 1, 2022.