



## ***2024/2025 Academic Year Food Industry Sales Association of Northern CA Scholarship Application***

This scholarship award for higher education is given to students who exhibit leadership in school, community activities and demonstrate superior scholastic achievement.

The Food Industry Sales Association plans to award multiple scholarships for the 2024-2025 academic school year in the amount of \$3,000 with one scholarship of \$4,000 going to the top applicant. Prospective applicants may apply if attending an undergraduate/graduate course of study in Fall 2024/2025, at an accredited two-or-four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school. This includes those students currently enrolled in an undergraduate course of study and has one or more years of school remaining.

To apply you must complete the application and all the items on the application checklist. Copies of the application can be found on our website, <http://ncfisa.org>.

### **OFFICIAL RULES**

To be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must work for or be an immediate family member of a company that is a current member of the Food Industry Sales Association of Northern California. Employees or immediate family members of Food Retailer/Wholesalers that are headquartered in the Northern California trade area also qualify. (Immediate family members include son, daughter, brother, sister, mother, father, niece, nephew, or grandparents, including in-law thereof.)

Applicants must complete the application form in its entirety and email to NorthernCAFISA@gmail.com by the entry deadline, **May 1, 2024**.

All applicants will be evaluated based on 5 Criteria:

- Scholastic Achievement
- Leadership in Community & School
- Essay
- Clear Statement Education/Career Goals
- Financial Need

The FISA scholarship committee will have the sole responsibility for the selection of recipients and its decision will be final.

Recipients will be notified with a phone call and follow up email. All Federal, State, and local laws and regulations apply. Recipients shall be responsible for any and all taxes. Recipients will be required to sign and return an Affidavit of Eligibility/Release of Liability. Acceptance of scholarship constitutes permission to use recipient's name and/or likeness for purposes of

advertising and promotion and agreement to attend a local awards ceremony at the FISA expense. Transfer of the scholarship is not permitted. The award will be paid directly to the registrar at the recipient's school after verification of enrollment. The Funds must be used within a 12-month period from the date announced, exceptions must have FISA board approval and must be in writing.

Email completed application, essays, and transcript to: Northerncafisa@gmail.com

Application and all supporting information must be received by **May 1, 2024**. **Incomplete or late applications** will not be considered.

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Student Application
- Essays
- Summary of School and Community activities, Honors and Offices held.
- Recent official transcript with school seal of grades from High school, vocational school or college. (Transcript must be submitted with application.)
- Photocopy of SAT/ACT scores – if applicable
- Current high-resolution photo (electronic- Picture 2"x 2")





Insert High resolution photo here

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Full mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s) or Guardian(s)/Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

**CURRENT COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY/ HIGH SCHOOL DATA/TRADE SCHOOL**

School Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Registrar mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID \_\_\_\_\_

**TRADE MEMBER/ RETAILER**

Retailer/Sponsor's Name & Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_  
Retailer/Sponsor's Company and Address \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT- DATA** Cumulative high school GPA (4.0 scale)

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\*SAT Score or \_\_\_\_\_  
\*ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTIUTION YOU PLAN TO ATTEND**

School Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Registrar mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Student ID \_\_\_\_\_  
Chosen Major/Minor course of study \_\_\_\_\_  
Anticipated date of graduation (month/year) \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY**

On a separate sheet of paper, write an original essay (300 words or more) on the following:  
• Shoppers are prioritizing staples over discretionary goods and big-ticket items — some 75% said they will delay the purchase of an electronic device, while only 36% said they will buy fewer groceries. How are these trends affecting your grocery purchases?

**GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS**

Goals & Aspirations within **200 words total** or less as they relate to the following three topics:

- 1 – Education
- 2 – Career
- 3 – Future Plans

**FINANCIAL NEED**

On a separate sheet of paper, in four brief paragraphs, explain 1) why you need financial aid; 2) what other financial aid you have; 3) why you are applying for this scholarship and 4) why you should be a recipient.

**COMMUNITY & WORK/SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

What are your extracurricular Activities? Summarize/list of community and school activities, honors. Why do you pursue them?

**CERTIFICATION**

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information will result in termination of any scholarship granted. This application becomes the sole property of Food Industry Sales Association of Northern California.

*Applicant's Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

*Parent/Guardian Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_