Nebraska Corn Growers Association Announces New Scholarship Program The Nebraska Corn Growers Association is pleased to announce the formation of a new scholarship program for future ag leaders in Nebraska. The Nebraska Corn Growers Association (NeCGA) will award up to 5 \$2,000 scholarships to high school seniors in the state of Nebraska. The NeCGA Future Leaders in Ag Scholarship Program (FLAGship Program) is open to high school seniors who will be continuing their education in state and pursuing a degree in an ag-related field.

"Young people are the future of our industry, and we want to help them take the next steps in their education," said Dan Nerud, chairman of the Grower Services Committee. "With this scholarship we hope to not just encourage young people to go into the agricultural industry, but also to stay involved in the industry within Nebraska."

To be eligible for this scholarship students must be a member of NeCGA or the son/daughter of a NeCGA member. The application for the FLAGship Program must include two letters of recommendation, a current resume, as well as proof that the student is continuing their education. The students are also asked to explain why they are seeking a degree in the agricultural field as well as what issues they see the ag industry facing.

Applications must be postmarked by December 2nd, 2016. Packets can be mailed to 1111 Lincoln Mall, Suite 308, Lincoln, NE 68508 ATTN: Scholarship, or emailed to <u>mwrich@necga.org</u>. Recipients will be notified in February 2017 and scholarships will be distributed in May 2017. For more information about the scholarship and an <u>application</u>, please visit <u>necga.org</u> or call (402) 438-6459.

The Nebraska Corn Growers Association is a grassroots commodity organization whose mission is to create and increase opportunities for corn farmers through advocacy, education, partnerships and leadership development. This scholarship is intended to form a solid base for the next generation of ag leaders.