



Excellence Award for Agricultural Students 2008-2009

**\$1,000
cash prize**

The **Canadian Farm Business Management Council** wants to help agricultural students develop their communication skills by giving them an opportunity to write an essay on a subject related to farm management. The five winning essays will receive a \$1,000 cash prize and will be published in the bi-monthly newsletter, Canadian Farm Manager, and on the Web site: www.farmcentre.com.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Applicants must be at least 16 years of age as of 31 December 2008, and they must be enrolled in an agriculture program at a recognized post-secondary educational institution;

2. Applicants must complete the application form included, approved by a professor or teacher from the educational institution;

3. Applicants must provide proof of enrolment at an educational institution in a field related to agriculture or to agri-food (you can complete an application form even if you have submitted an application for admission and have not yet received a reply. However, if your application is accepted, you will need to provide a copy of your acceptance letter);

4. Applicants must submit an essay, a maximum of 500 words, on the theme: **Starting a farm in Canada is no easy task these days. What are some innovative ways for the next generation of farmers to get into farming?**



SELECTION OF WINNERS

A panel will select five winners based on the following criteria:

- Quality of the essay submitted
- Compliance with eligibility criteria
- Applicants must reside in Canada

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ENTRIES

The Canadian Farm Business Management Council must receive the application form by regular mail only no later than March 31st, 2009 (faxed forms or emails will not be accepted). The names of the winners will be announced in May 2009.

APPLICATION FORM

FOR THE CANADIAN FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT COUNCIL EXCELLENCE AWARD

Applicant's name _____

Date of birth _____

Address (including city and postal code) _____

Telephone number _____

E-mail address _____

Name of educational institution attended _____

Field of study and program _____

If you are under 18 years of age

I consent to the use of my child's name, photograph and presentation in promotional announcements about the winners of this Excellence Award. YES NO

Address _____

Telephone number _____

E-mail address _____

Signature of parent or legal guardian _____

If you are 18 years of age or over

I consent to the use of my name, photograph and presentation in promotional announcements about the winners. YES NO

Signature of applicant _____

Approval of a professor or teacher from the institution

Name of professor/teacher _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

E-mail address _____

Signature _____

Please send your duly completed application form, your proof of enrolment at an educational institution and your essay (maximum of 500 words) to:

**Canadian Farm Business Management Council
Excellence Award for Agricultural Students**
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Ottawa, Ontario
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