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**CENTER FOUNDATION AND PA DAIRYMEN'S OFFERING SCHOLARSHIPS**

Complete Scholarship Application Before June 1, Earn More Than Once

**Harrisburg, Pa.** – Undergraduate students pursuing a career in the dairy industry are encouraged to apply for a Student Leader Scholarship by June 1, 2018. Ten \$3,000 scholarships are offered by the Center for Dairy Excellence Foundation and the Pennsylvania Dairywomen's Association. These scholarships are awarded annually based on an undergraduate's character, integrity, leadership qualities, and future goals.

New for this year, students can be selected to earn this scholarship twice during their undergraduate education. The purpose of these scholarships is to recognize, encourage and financially assist superior students enrolled in dairy-related academic programs. Additionally, one scholarship will be specifically designed for an incoming freshman.

"The Student Leader Scholarship Program provided me an opportunity to afford college while building a network of current and future professionals in the dairy industry," said Tony Rice, Penn State student and 2017 scholarship recipient. "Without a doubt, the scholarship's support alleviated a significant portion of my student debt obligation and allowed me to focus on my coursework and co-curricular research."

To be eligible, a student must demonstrate a commitment to working in the dairy industry following graduating. Consideration for these scholarships is given to Pennsylvania residents who are full-time undergraduate students currently enrolled or planning to enroll in an eligible field of study either in or out-of-state. Qualifying majors include but are not limited to: animal science, agricultural business, communications, engineering, marketing, agricultural and extension education, dairy science, food science, or nutrition.

Applications for the 2018-2019 academic year must be postmarked by June 1, 2018. Applicants must complete the official Student Leader Scholarship Application form available at [www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/student-leader-scholarships/](http://www.centerfordairyexcellence.org/student-leader-scholarships/).

Questions regarding the 2018 Student Leader Scholarship Program should be referred to Brittany Haag by phone at (717) 346-0849 or via email at [bhaag@centerfordairyexcellence.org](mailto:bhaag@centerfordairyexcellence.org).

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