

Please find enclosed application form for Van Merchant Rural and Agriculture Grant forms. These may be copied or I may be contacted on the enclosed email address. This year we will be focusing on farm and agriculture related opportunities only, and also on financial need. This grant is not just for the straight A student, but to all who have the desire to build their life on a career in agriculture.

Sincerely,
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Van Merchant Rural & Agricultural Grant Application

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Please list School Activities and Special Awards:

Please list areas of Community Service:

Please inform us of the educational pursuit and name of the school/educational facility.

Please give us 1 or 2 personal references. Good choices are a Pastor, teacher, high school employer, etc. Relatives are not accepted as reference:

Name, address, phone #

Please attach a short **hand written** essay telling us of your plans for the life you have ahead of you. Do not write what you think we want to hear, tell us what you road you hope to travel to a good life in rural America!

TIP: Authenticity matters more than polish/perfection. Typed essays will not be accepted.

I will reply to all submissions. If you do not get a confirmation, please call or text me at 815-291-2849.