

# **Tehama County Cattlemen's Association sponsoring the 2026 Ronald S. Knight Memorial Scholarship**



Tehama County Cattlemen award the Ron S. Knight Memorial Scholarship. The community lost a leader with the sudden death of Ron Knight on May 19, 2000.

Ron started his U.C, Cooperative Extension career in Solano County in 1957. He moved to Tulare County as 4-H Youth Advisor in 1964 and was appointed county Director/Livestock Advisor for Tehama County in 1972. Ron held that position until retirement in 1991. His thirty-four-year career resulted in significant achievements for livestock producers.

Following retirement from the University of California, Ron was active in livestock and community organizations. Ron was treasurer for the Tehama County Cattlemen's Association, and treasurer for the Tehama District Junior Livestock Committee. He was a Tehama County Farm Bureau Director and a member of the Red Bluff Bull and Gelding Sale Committee.

In 1984, the Tehama County Cattlemen's Association recognized Ron for his livestock work with their "Man of the Year" award. The Tehama District Fairgrounds 4-H building was recently renamed the "Ron Knight Youth Ag Center".

In memory of Ron Knight, the Tehama County Cattlemen's Association initiated a scholarship in the amount of \$2000 Dollars. The selected candidate must pursue a major in an agricultural or Ag related course of study with the intention of earning a Bachelor or higher degree. Selection is based upon demonstrating high school achievement, community activity and work experience. Successful applicants must demonstrate a combination of great promise and a desire to work in Northern California following graduation.

Applications are due by: **Friday - April 24, 2026 by 5 pm**

Either by postmark, hand delivery or email to:

Ronald S. Knight Scholarship  
c/o Josh Davy  
1754 Walnut Street  
Red Bluff, CA 96080  
[jsdavy@ucanr.edu](mailto:jsdavy@ucanr.edu)

Please read the Scholarship information form for eligibility and guidelines.

# THE RONALD S. KNIGHT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Ronald S. Knight Memorial Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the availability of scholarships in the amount of **\$2,000** per scholarship for the 2026 academic year. The successful applicant will meet the following criteria:

- 1) Graduate or 2026 graduate from a high school within the boundaries of the Tehama County Cattlemen's Association, preferably a county resident or TCCA member/family member.
- 2) Full time (12 units or more) enrollment in an accredited junior college, trade school, 4-year college or university beginning fall 2026.
- 3) Pursuing a major in an agricultural or ag-related course of study ***with the intention of earning a trade, bachelor, or advanced degree.***
- 4) Selection will be based upon demonstration of scholastic achievement, community activities and work experience. The committee is looking for a "well rounded" applicant.

**To apply, send the selection committee a letter with the following information:**

- When and where you graduated or expect to graduate from high school.
- Your most current high school transcripts, and for college students' high school and current college transcripts.
- Where you plan to enroll.
- Proposed major and career plans.
- A brief resume and cover letter about yourself and how this scholarship will help you meet your career goals.
- Information about how to contact you.
- A current photo (for publicity).

There is no formal application form, however, all seven areas must be included for the applicant to be considered. **Applicants are encouraged to include up to three "letters of recommendation"**. It is the desire of the committee to find a recipient who shows a combination of great promise and a desire to work in Northern California following graduation.

Selection of the scholarship recipient will be completed by mid-May. All applicants will be informed of the committee's decision. Award recognition for high school seniors will be given at the high school awards ceremony in June plus the Cattlemen's Annual Winter Dinner in January. The first one thousand dollars will be awarded after the scholar provides the committee adequate proof of enrollment with a minimum of 12 units of study leading to an agricultural degree. The award of the second one thousand dollars will occur after the individual provides the committee with adequate proof of completing the first semester with a 2.5 minimum grade point average.

The selection committee is comprised of five members including the President of the Tehama County Cattlemen's Association, the Director of Cooperative Extension and other members of the Tehama County Cattlemen's Association.

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