MYRON P. "MIKE" DEAN CHEESE INDUSTRY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

WISCONSIN CHEESE MAKERS ASSOCIATION

Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association (WCMA) is now accepting applications for its annual Myron P. "Mike" Dean Cheese Industry Scholarship, named after Wisconsin's tireless educator and promoter of quality cheese.

This scholarship is open to employees or children of employees of a WCMA dairy manufacturing or processor/marketer member company. Applicants must be:

- Students attending a college, university, or technical school in the United States, or
- High school seniors registered to attend a qualifying school.

Applicants must supply a current transcript, letter of recommendation, and a completed application form. Priority consideration will be given to applicants pursuing studies that may lead to a career in the food and dairy industry. Two applicants will be selected to receive awards of $5,000 each.

APPLY BY **FEBRUARY 19, 2027**

WisCheeseMakers.org/Scholarships



In 2026, the Myron P. "Mike" Dean Cheese Industry Scholarship was awarded to Emma Adleman of Sartori Company and Collin Zimmermann of Masters Gallery Foods.

Questions? Please contact WCMA Programs & Policy Manager Amelia Neas at aneas@wischeesemakers.org or (608) 419-7913.

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WCMA Myron P. 'Mike' Dean Cheese Industry Student Scholarship

Return this application by email or mail:

By Email:
Amelia Neas
aneas@wischeesemakers.org

By Mail:
Scholarship Program
Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association
5117 West Terrace Drive, Suite 402
Madison, WI 53718

A completed application includes: an application form, an official student transcript, and a letter of recommendation from a teacher, advisor, or employer.

I. Contact Information

Applicant Name: _____

Current Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____

II. Eligibility

Describe your connection to Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association. (You or one of your parents must be employed at a WCMA member company to apply.)

List the name and location of the school you are attending. (If in high school, list your current school and the college that has accepted your enrollment.)

Degree and major you are pursuing: _____

Current Credits Completed: _____

Current Cumulative GPA: _____

Current GPA in major: _____

Total credits needed for graduation: _____

Planned graduation date: _____

If more space is needed for responses, it is acceptable to create another document to supplement the application questions. Please note, the length of your response is less important than the content.

III. Career Plans

What are your career plans after graduation from college or technical school?

IV. Activities, Honors

Please list your current or recent activities (clubs, organizations, volunteer or civic involvement). Explain the activities and your participation in them.

List honors or awards you have been given through school, activities, or in the workplace.

Provide information on previous work experience or internships:
(please note job title, employer, dates of employment, duties)

IV. INFORMATION AND PHOTO USE AUTHORIZATION

For valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned give Wisconsin Cheese Makers Association the absolute and irrevocable right to copyright, use and publish Applicant's photograph; likeness; name; and any information disclosed in this Scholarship Application and any subsequent communications related to the Scholarship. Such use may include but is not limited to: publishing such materials in industry publications, advertisements, social media, and/or on www.wischeesemakersassn.org or a related industry website, or providing such materials to publications of general circulation such as newspapers.

As a required part of your application: write and sign your name and date below; If applicant is under 18 years of age a parent or legal guardian is required to write and sign their name and date below.

Applicant Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____ Date: _____

Thank you for your interest in the WCMA Myron P. Dean Cheese Industry Student Scholarship.