



# South Dakota FFA Foundation, Inc.

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## SD FFA Thank you Tips

Receiving a thank you is always appreciated!

All SD FFA scholarships, awards and events are supported through the South Dakota FFA Foundation, by generous donors who care deeply about FFA members and helping them reach their educational goals. These donors appreciate developing a relationship with their student and knowing more about who receives their awards.

As a participant in a state event, jacket, scholarship or award recipient, you are required to write a thank you to your donor. Your thank you will let donors know that you appreciate their generosity and will make them feel good about the support they are providing. With that in mind, here are a few tips to help you in writing your note.

1. Refer to the event/award by name.
2. Thank the donor for their generosity in providing support for this event/award and tell the donor how their support has made a difference to your education.
3. Tell the donor about yourself. Every student is an individual, so include specific things about yourself. Here are some suggestions of what you might want to include:
  - What you are interested in studying. If you're undecided, that's okay too, they probably were at some point as well.
  - Why you chose to participate in this event or program.
  - High School activities and accomplishments.
  - Other interests and passions.
  - Your FFA chapter activities
  - Any unique quality about yourself.
4. Proofread. Make sure that its' grammatically correct, words are spelled correctly, and it is a good reflection of you as a person. You want donors to know that you and FFA were a good choice for them to invest their hard-earned money in.
5. Send the thank you within 2 weeks of the award, or return to registration at the State FFA event you are participating in.

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