



# Jim Beard Memorial Scholarship Navasota- Grimes County Chamber of Commerce

## Application Submission:

Due in office Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

Return applications & supporting documents to the Navasota Grimes Co. Chamber of Commerce at:

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## *Meet Jim Beard ....*

Jim Beard grew up in Grimes County, TX and was a graduate of Navasota High School. From there he attended and graduated from Texas A & M in 1978 with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree. After trying several occupations, Beard ultimately decided to start his own business in Navasota, TX with State Farm Insurance. He received several accomplishments during his State Farm career- eventually growing his business to one of the most successful in the county.

Beard knew the value of hard work, small businesses and supporting the local community- he volunteered his time to help others serving in roles at the Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Committee, Navasota Education Foundation, Friends of Grimes County, Habitat for Humanity and Chairman and Committeeman of the Grimes County Fair Association Horse Committee.

This scholarship was created in memory of Jim Beard because of his strong belief in the value of kids. He knew that not all kids wanted to go to college, but that choice should not stop someone from achieving success. He believed very strongly in the importance and benefit of trade and technical schools and believed that people who work in a specific trade provide great value to our society and economy. It is with this belief that the Jim Beard Memorial Scholarship was created.

## Scholarship Details

Award of a \$500.00 scholarship to 2 Grimes County graduating Seniors.

## Eligibility

Must be a graduating Senior of a Grimes County High School.  
Must be a Grimes County resident.  
Must be planning to immediately enroll in a vocational, career, technical school, college, or university after graduation.

## Requirements

Completed application (no resumes).  
Essay explaining your career & training\college of choice.  
Your goals & why you chose them.  
Sealed copy of transcript (at minimum through end of junior year).  
Copy of current class schedule.  
3 References: Name & Contact Info