

**WEST VIRGINIA CHAPTER
SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY
2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The West Virginia Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society will be awarding one \$500 scholarship to an undergraduate student in 2018. To be eligible for this scholarship, a student:

1. Must be a U.S. citizen.
2. Must be working toward the first Bachelor's degree.
3. Must have completed at least 12 college credits prior to application.
3. Must be enrolled in the Spring 2018 semester.
4. Must have an overall college GPA of 2.80 or higher.
5. Must show an interest in a soil and water conservation career.

All applications must be received by **March 31, 2018** at the address given below. Any application received after the deadline or any application that does not include all items listed below will not be reviewed.

1. One electronic copy of the completed application can be emailed to the chairman as listed below.
2. A list of three people (with addresses and telephone numbers) must be provided who know the applicant well enough to support this application. One of those people must be the applicant's college academic advisor.
3. An electronic version of a letter must be included outlining the applicant's background; personal attitudes toward local, national or international conservation issues; objectives of education; future career plans; and financial needs.

Scholarship winners will be announced at the annual fall meeting (usually September or October) of the West Virginia Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society. Scholarship winners are encouraged to attend this meeting and the meeting registration and awards banquet fees will be waived.

Previous winners are not eligible to apply again. Students majoring in plant and soil sciences curricula will be given preference, but students in other conservation-related disciplines are encouraged to apply. Previous winners have also majored disciplines such as agricultural education, animal science, biology, engineering, engineering technology, environmental protection, geography, resource management and wildlife management. Winners have been students at Alderson-Broaddus University, Bluefield State College, Glenville State College, Fairmont State University, Potomac State College, Shepherd University, West Liberty University, Wheeling-Jesuit University, West Virginia State University, and West Virginia University.

Send all information to:
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West Virginia University
Morgantown, WV 26506-6108
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APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

2018

(Please fill in and save as a separate document to email with applicant's name in file name)

1. Name _____
2. Address _____

- Telephone _____
- E-mail _____
3. College or University at which you are now enrolled _____
4. Credit hours completed _____
5. Major course of study _____
6. Minor course of study _____
7. Planned graduation date with first Bachelor's degree _____
8. Cumulative college GPA _____
9. List courses or other structured activities you have completed which relate to natural resources and/or conservation.

10. List positions of leadership or extracurricular activities in which you have been involved while in college or in high school.

11. What percentage of your funds for college come from:

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------|---|
| Parents | _____ | % |
| Summer and part-time work | _____ | % |
| Loans | _____ | % |
| Scholarships | _____ | % |
| Other | _____ | % |

12. In general, what kind of professional position would you like to get when you complete your college education?

13. Signature/Date: _____

14. Remember to include **three references** (names, addresses, phone numbers and emails).

15. Remember to include a **one-page statement** on education, goals, experience and attitude.

16. Due date is **March 31, 2018**.



Date Received: _____
(For Office Use Only)

West Virginia Association of Conservation Districts
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Seniors, please complete this application in ink and submit it to the WVACD Office at 742 Airport Road, Sutton WV 26601 by the first Monday in March

All applications must be made on this form, revised 1-16-18.

Notes to Applicants: All information requested below must be provided for your application to be considered. You must attend a college or university in West Virginia and must major in an agriculture related field as described in section III. You must have a minimum 3.0 GPA per section IV.

I. Personal Information

Name _____ Last 4 of Soc. Sec# _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Home Address _____
(Street, Route, or Post Office Box Number)

(City) (County) (State) (Zip)

(Home Telephone Number) (High School from which you are graduating) (Graduation Year)

High School Principal(s) _____

Hometown Newspaper _____

Newspaper Address: Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

II. Family Information

Father/Guardian's Name _____ Occupation _____

Mother/Guardian's Name _____ Occupation _____

Number (and ages) of those living in your household, including yourself _____

***On a separate sheet of paper, write a statement explaining your need for this scholarship award.**

III. **Major Area of Study** (check one. If "other", please specify)

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|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Agriculture _____ | Engineering (Agriculture) _____ | Wildlife Management _____ |
| Agriculture Economics _____ | Engineering (Civil) _____ | Other _____ |
| Agriculture Education _____ | Environmental Studies _____ | |
| Agronomy (plants) _____ | Forest Resources Management _____ | |
| Agronomy (soil) _____ | Horticulture _____ | |
| Animal Science _____ | Landscape Architecture _____ | |

IV. **Academic Performance**

Note: To be considered for this scholarship, you must have a minimum cumulative GPA for sophomore, junior and 1st semester senior year of 3.0, as calculated by your guidance counselor. Please do not send transcripts.

GPA (calculated by guidance counselor) _____

Please indicate college entrance examination scores: ACT (sections and scores) _____

SAT (sections and scores) _____

Guidance Counselor Signature _____

V. **College/University Information**

Name of WV College or University you plan to attend _____

Have you made application for admission? Check one: Yes _____ No _____

If you check "yes", on what date did you apply? _____

Status of application (check one): Pending _____ Accepted _____

VI. **Extra Curricular and Community Activities**

*On a separate sheet of paper, provide a summary of your extracurricular activities, volunteer experience, and community involvement (i.e. 4-H, FFA, student council, clubs, church groups, civic organizations, etc.) Organize the summary in chronological order, beginning with your freshman year and ending with the present.

VII. **Work History**

*On a separate sheet of paper, provide a chronological list of your work experience. Include all work, whether paid, volunteer or self-employed.

VIII. **Career Goals**

*On a separate sheet of paper, please add a brief statement of your career goals.

IX. **References**

List three references. A minimum of one, but no more than two, should be an administrator or teacher in your high school (i.e. principal, class advisor, teacher). A minimum of one but no more than two references should be from the community (i.e. banker, business owner, previous or current employer, pastor, etc.) Neither of the references may be your relative.

| | Name | Relationship | Address | Telephone |
|----|-------|--------------|---------|-----------|
| 1. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 2. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |