VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

College Scholarship Application Deadline to Henricopolis SWCD: March 15, 2017

A. Personal Information

1. Applicant's Name _____
   Last First Middle
2. Home Address _____
   _____
3. County of Residence _____
4. Local Soil & Water Conservation District _____
5. Home Telephone Number _____
6. Date of Birth _____ 7. Email: _____

B. Educational Background (20 pts)

Attach your most recent official transcript. Your official transcript must show the official school seal.

1. High School Attending or Attended: _____
2. Anticipated or Date of Graduation: _____
3. Number of students in your class: _____ Class Rank: _____
4. Scholastic Average (GPA): _____
5. College(s) Attending or Plan to Attend: Include College Name and Location
   (1)_____
   (2)_____
6. Major or Intended Field of Study: _____

C. Environmental Leadership & Activity Experience (15 pts) - *Attach additional information as needed.*

List any environmental leadership or activity experience - designating if high school or college experience - you may have including participation in Envirothon, Youth Conservation Camp, 4-H, Future Farmers of America (FFA), etc.

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D. Other Leadership & Activity Experience (5 pts) - *Attach additional information as needed.*

List all other organizations and important extracurricular activities - designating if high school or college experience - in which you have or currently are participating. Indicate any activities in which you hold or have held office and note which position. Include other activities such as athletics, music, drama, dance, public speaking, clubs, societies, public events/exhibits or awards, list honors or letters earned.

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E. Volunteer & Paid Experience (10 pts) - *Attach additional information as needed.*
List any volunteer or paid experiences including your position, date of service, and brief description of duties.

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F. Financial Information and Other Circumstances (5 pts) *While this is primarily a merit based scholarship, the review committee may take consideration of need or other special circumstances. The more detail provided about your need and why you deserve this scholarship the more assistance provided during review. Attach more detail if necessary.*

1. Are you applying for or will you receive a scholarship or loan from other sources? Please circle one. YES NO
2. If yes, give loan and/or scholarship sources and amounts:

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3. In addition to the above, financing for your education will primarily come from: _____
4. Do you have other circumstances (ex. first generation college student, multiple siblings in college, etc.) or a personal situation you would like to share? _____

G. References/Letters of Recommendation (10 pts)
Attach recommendation letters from at least 3 references - other than family members – who can provide additional information about your academic and community activities. Share with your references that the purpose of this scholarship is to promote through education the conservation of our natural resources by providing financial support to students majoring in or showing a strong desire to major in a curriculum related to natural resource conservation or environmental studies. List below details on those from whom you have requested recommendation letters.

1. Name of Reference: _____

   Position/Relation to Applicant: _____ Telephone: _____

   Address: _____
2. Name of Reference: _____

   Position/Relation to Applicant: _____ Telephone: _____

   Address: _____
3. Name of Reference: _____

   Position/Relation to Applicant: _____ Telephone: _____

   Address: _____

H. Essay (35 points)

Attach a typed essay of approximately 500-650 words describing yourself and your involvement/interest in the environment. Address what you feel is the most important environmental issue in your community and why. How can you assist and promote leadership in the conservation of natural resources?

I. Signatures/Certification
In submitting this application, I hereby certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. If declared a recipient of this scholarship, I will provide the VASWCD a statement that may be used for publicity purposes.

Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Reminder - Attachments to Include: Official Transcript, Letters of Recommendation, Essay & any additional information

Return to Your Local Soil & Water Conservation District to Complete the Following:
Sponsoring SWCD: ***Henricopolis SWCD*** SWCD Contact Phone Number: ***501-5175***
SWCD Staff Point of Contact Regarding Scholarships: ***Lindy Durham***