

2017  
ASSOCIATION OF WEST VIRGINIA SOLID WASTE  
AUTHORITIES SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM



INSTRUCTIONS  
AND  
APPLICATION

**Mission Statement**

AWSWA feels that the education of both students and the general public is an important step in eliminating some of our biggest solid waste management problems. Through the scholarship program, we are beginning to address the problem of educating you, the student, in the hopes of producing knowledgeable and responsible solid waste professionals for the future. Good luck

# AWVSWA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

### I. DEADLINES

**May 1** – All completed application forms and back-up documentation must be received by the AWVSWA Scholarship Chairperson. A teleconference call / interview with the applicant will be scheduled upon receipt of completed application.

**June- 1** - Committee recommendation forwarded to AWVSWA Board for review.

**July/August** – Announcement of Scholarship winner(s).

### II. SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

#### A. Eligibility

To be considered for an award the candidate must be the son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter of an AWVSWA Member (hereon known as sponsor), in good standing at the time of the recommendation, the selection and the award. AWVSWA board members and members of their families are not eligible. Further, AWVSWA pledges to uphold the policy that all persons shall have equal access to this program, regardless of race, color, age, sex, marital status, creed, religion, or disability.

Applicants must be graduating high school seniors, graduate equivalent certified candidates, or currently enrolled in an institution of higher learning who have been accepted for enrollment in a junior college, four-year college or university, or an accredited trade school.

#### B. Awards

Three \$1,000 awards may be given annually. When possible, consideration may be given to awarding the applications in a method that represents the entire membership area. The Association reserves the right to award up to a total of \$3,000.00 per fiscal year. If no submissions, or a lack of qualified submissions, are received, the AWVSWA Scholarship Committee reserves the right to carry over the designated monies to the subsequent years scholarship funds.

### III. SCORING OF APPLICATIONS

#### Graduating High School Senior

1. Academics 50%
  - a. GPA
  - b. ACT and/or SAT Scores
  - c. Academic achievement awards/honors
2. Community Activities 20%
  - a. Student organization participation

- b. Volunteer Activities
  - c. High school ROTC, military, etc.
3. Extracurricular 20%
- a. Athletics
  - b. Music, drama, debate, etc.
  - c. Employment
4. Quality of the Written Discussion 10%
- a. Clarity and organization of the work
  - b. Grammar
  - c. Accuracy and originality

#### IV. COMPLETING THE APPLICATION

Each applicant will be required to submit the **completed application form, and assure that all back-up documentation** is sent to the **Scholarship Chairperson**, by May 1<sup>st</sup>, **including**:

1. SAT/ACT/Achievement Test Scores,
2. Current grade point average,
3. High school transcripts, and attendance records,
4. Acceptance to an accredited institution.
5. Minimum college semester requirement.

The back-up documentation, *in sealed envelopes*, should be sent to the **Scholarship Committee Chairperson** by the institution issuing the award, grade, score, etc.

Any of the above back-up documentation provided directly from the applicant will be considered invalid except for extreme cases where the Scholarship Chairperson grants written permission in advance. Applicants have the responsibility for verifying that the Scholarship Chairperson has received their back-up documentation. Please leave sufficient time for the institution to process and mail your requested documentation. Be aware that if you miss the deadline (**May 1<sup>st</sup>**) for submittal of your application and back-up documentation, you will be disqualified.

Illegible applications or applications without proper signatures will not be accepted. If more space is required to document awards, citizenship qualification or extracurricular activities, these forms may be copied.

#### V. SUMMARY

With this document, AWVSWA has attempted to outline the application requirements for the AWVSWA Scholarship Awards Program. We realize, however, that there will always be questions that cannot be answered on paper. If any questions or problems should arise, please feel free to call your Scholarship Chairperson.

## **AWVSWA Scholarship Awards Program**

If you have any questions, the scholarship chairperson can be reached at (304)573-5194

Mail all information to:

Raleigh County SWA  
200 Fernandez Drive  
Beckley, WV 25801

Attn: Sherri Hunter, Scholarship Chairperson

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APPLICATION**

1. Applicant's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_
2. Applicant's address and telephone  
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3. Name, address and telephone of AWVSWA Member sponsor  
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4. Sponsor's relationship to candidate \_\_\_\_\_
5. AWVSWA Member affiliation \_\_\_\_\_
6. High school name, address – and telephone for Faculty Advisor  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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7. High school attendance records.
8. Please have a complete transcript, SAT/ACT/Achievement Test scores and a copy of our college/university acceptance mailed to the Scholarship Chairperson.
9. Current Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_ SAT/ACT score \_\_\_\_\_
10. Achievement Test Scores \_\_\_\_\_
11. What college/university do you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_
12. What major are you considering at this time? \_\_\_\_\_
13. Please attach a one-page discussion of your views on solid waste management: what it is, who participates, what are the current issues facing the profession, and your thoughts on its future direction.
14. Please submit a short statement of any personal obstacles you have had to overcome and your financial needs, listing any other scholarships or educational funding awarded to date for the coming year in context with estimated tuition and related expenses. If applicable, please attach a copy of your Free Application for Financial Student Aid Student Assessment Report.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# **AWVSWA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS PROGRAM**

## **Documentation of Academic Achievement Awards and Honors**

**Please include name of award, date of award and the name/phone # of award official or advisor.**

| <b>Award</b> | <b>Date of Award</b> | <b>Name /phone of Official/Advisor</b> |
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## **Documentation of Citizenship Qualifications** **(student organizations, volunteer organizations, High School ROTC and Military)**

**Please include name of activity, date of involvement and the name/phone# of coordinator.**

| <b>Activity</b> | <b>Dates</b> | <b>Name /phone of Coordinator</b> |
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### **Documentation of Extracurricular Activities Qualifications (athletics, music, debate, yearbook, student paper, employment, etc.)**

**Please include name of activity, date of involvement and the name/phone# of coordinator / employer**

| <b>Activity</b> | <b>Dates</b> | <b>Name /phone of Coordinator/Employer</b> |
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