

The Waterfowl Festival's William A. Perry Scholarship Program

40 S. Harrison Street Easton, Maryland 21601

GUIDELINES & CONDITIONS

The William A. Perry Scholarship Program was established by the Board of Directors of the Waterfowl Festival in memory of one of its principal founders and former President – Mr. William A. Perry.

ADMINISTRATION: Administered by the Festival's Scholarship Committee, a Scholarship Application may be submitted by high school seniors who will be attending an accredited College/University, Trade School or, by students enrolled in accredited graduate or post-graduate degree programs.

ELIGIBILITY: Only students who volunteer significant time and service to the Waterfowl Festival during either the annual November Waterfowl Festival or, during the year or, who provide valuable assistance in development and participation in Programs sponsored by the Waterfowl Festival, are eligible for scholarship consideration. Volunteer and Program work by any Applicant must have occurred within not less than 2 years prior to submission of a Scholarship Application.

CONDITIONS: While the Festival's Scholarship Committee reserves the right to change the ELIGIBILITY and CONDITIONS at any time, the principal conditions that an APPLICANT MUST SATISFY are:

- 1.) **FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERISM:** At a minimum, only Scholarship Applicants who have completed at least ten (10) hours of service during either the November Waterfowl Festival or during the year, e.g., assisting office staff or other Waterfowl Festival related work, are eligible to apply. Credited service hours may also be recognized for other environmentally focused activities. Graduate students may also receive credited service hours for assisting or participating in Waterfowl Festival sponsored Programs.
- 2.) **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Must be a Senior in good standing and enrolled in an accredited high school and has been accepted for further studies in either an accredited college or trade school.
- 3.) **COLLEGE & TRADE SCHOOLS:** Must be enrolled as a student in good standing in an accredited 2- or 4-year college program or trade school.

- 4.) **GRADUATE SCHOOL STUDENTS**: Must be enrolled as a student in good standing in an accredited graduate school program with degree focus and curriculum emphasis on environmental/research matters affecting the environment.
- 5.) **GRADES**: Grades and extent and type of course-load curriculum will be taken into careful consideration.
- 6.) **SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS**: As long as a student is attending an accredited college or university and is in good standing, the student may re-apply annually provided the Applicant has not previously received more than five (5) Scholarships.

SUBMISSION PROCESS: By no later than April 15 of each Calendar Year (CY), eligible students interested in applying for a Scholarship must submit a fully completed Scholarship Application with all supporting documentation [as listed below] to the Waterfowl Festival's office.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:

- Fully completed Application.
- Neatly completed Essay (with name on Essay).
- Signed Volunteer Certification & Validation Form.
- Official Third Quarter Transcript from the high school or Official First Semester Transcript from the college/university.
- Any other documentation which the student feels would be helpful to the Scholarship Committee in evaluating the Application.

All completed Scholarship Applications and supporting materials will be carefully evaluated by the Scholarship Committee. However, because the total annual scholarship funds in the Program often change, not all qualified applicants may receive a scholarship. Should you receive an award, you will be notified no later than May 15 of the current CY.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Due No Later Than – April 15 of the Calendar Year (CY)

Applicant Full Name: _____

Applicant Address: _____

Applicant Email: _____

Applicant Telephone Number: _____

Applicant Date of Birth: _____

Name & Address of School/Institution Currently Attending: _____

Date of High School Graduation: _____

Name, Bursar's Business Address & Telephone Number of College/University/Trade School will be

Attending: _____

College/University Students

Name & Bursar's Business Address & Telephone Number of College/University Currently Attending: _____

Number of Semesters Completed: _____

Essay

Attach essay [200-400 words] on your volunteer service to the Waterfowl Festival and, if applicable, your volunteer involvement in assisting/developing & participating in Waterfowl Festival sponsored Programs. In either instance, describe what your volunteer service has personally meant to you. Essay should also include the major (if declared) that you intend to pursue (or are already pursuing) in either undergraduate or graduate school studies including your future aspirational career goals, e.g., becoming a teacher [area(s) of concentration], or an environmental/science professional [area(s) of concentration], or any other work-related profession or area which you would like to achieve after graduation.

Student Transcript and Volunteer Certification & Validation

Submit a third quarter transcript along with your application **no later than April 15th of the current CY**. Should you receive an award, you will be notified no later than June 15, 2024 of the current CY.

The fully completed Student Volunteer Certification & Validation Form must accompany your Application.

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