

Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District 2012 Scholarship Application

Application Guidelines

1. General Information:

- A. Scholarship(s) will be awarded in the amount of \$500.
- B. A copy of the application is available at your local Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District office, located at 526 E 1st Street, Valentine. Your local high school guidance counselor or online at www.mnnrd.org
- C. Scholarship candidates can be a graduating high school senior, students currently attending college or vocational school or a non-traditional student pursuing additional education. Applicants must be a resident of the Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District.
- D. Students must apply within six years of high school graduation.
- E. Scholarships will be accepted at any accredited college, university, junior college, or institution offering accredited degrees.
- F. Scholarship selection will be based on the following criteria:
 - Commitment to furthering education
 - Academic achievement
 - Leadership
 - Extra-curricular activities
 - Community involvement

2. What you need to do to apply.

- A.** Complete the application form. Spelling and grammar will be considered in the selection process. *Handwritten applications will be disqualified!*
- B.** A copy of your most recent transcript and a sealed letter of recommendation must accompany your application. This letter should come from an adult who is not a school employee or relative.

3. PLACE ALL INFORMATION ON THE APPLICATION FORM AS DIRECTED.

- A. A photocopy of the form will be accepted.
- B. A re-typed application form will be disqualified.
- C. If additional space is needed, use the back side of the form and designate to which question the answer refers.
- D. Applicants may download the form, but the application format must remain **Exactly** as it appears on the site.

Do Not include Covers, Extra Pages or Photos.
Points will be Deducted for not following Rules.

- 4. Scholarship can be used at any accredited university, 2-year or 4-year college or technical school.
- 5. Scholarship will be paid directly to the school upon proof of registration.
- 6. If circumstances prevent the recipient from using the scholarship for the following college year, the committee will decide whether the situation deems that the scholarship will be held for one year.
- 7. Finalists will be notified of their acceptance following the March 2012 MNNRD board meeting.

Applications MUST be postmarked on or before March 30th, 2012

**Return to: Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District
526 E. 1st St.
Valentine, NE 69201**

2012 APPLICATION FOR NRD SCHOLARSHIP

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Telephone_____

Email_____

Parent or Guardian Name_____

High School or College_____

Name of 2-year or 4-year or technical school you are attending or plan to attend.

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT

I have included:

1. Completed application form
2. Transcript
3. One letter of recommendation in a sealed envelope. This letter should come from an adult who is not a school employee or relative.

*Please note: All of the above items **must** be submitted or points will be deducted.*

Do not include covers or extra pages

Do not include photos

Not following these instructions will result in deduction of points on the selection process.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all information given on this application is true, correct, original and complete.

*Applicant's Signature*_____

Grade Point Average: _____. Class Rank: _____ out of _____ students.

ACT Score _____

SAT Score _____

(include a copy of your SAT/ACT score sheet)

Area of study/major (be specific)

1. How does your chosen field of study relate to your future goals?

2. How will your education help you to benefit or enhance conservation and natural resources?

3. Describe your work experience (paid or unpaid). What have you gained in knowledge from this experience?

4. What do you think can be done to keep young people in conservation and related natural resources fields?

5. How have you, your family or community benefitted from practices applied in conservation and natural resources?

6. Describe your understanding of Nebraska's system of Natural Resource Districts.

7. How can land owners work together with State and Federal entities in a way that protects the landowner's property rights and yet addresses environmental and resource concerns?

8. *Some of the most critical and important battles of the day are being waged against our nation. This includes battles from our own government seeking to destroy private property, production agriculture local communities, entire economies, natural resource producers and eventually our nation as we know it. "*

Please describe what "sustainability" means to you and how it impacts you now and in the future. What are your goals to achieve sustainability?

9. *School Activities, Organizations:*

10. *Civic, Church, Non-school Activities:*

11. *Honors and Awards*