Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District
2027 Scholarship Application
Application Guidelines

1. General Information:

A. Scholarship(s) will be awarded in the amount of $500.

B. Applications are available through the Middle Niobrara NRD office, online at www.mnnrd.org, and in the guidance office. It is recommended to download the application from the website and mail the completed form along with the other necessary documents to the MNNRD office.

C. Scholarship candidates may be; a graduating high school senior, 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. Students must plan to or be pursuing a degree in, agriculture, natural resource or wildlife related studies.

G. Scholarship selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Commitment to furthering education
- Academic achievement
- Leadership
- Extra-curricular activities
- Community involvement

H. Scholarships will not be awarded to a previous recipient.

2. How 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, ACT/SAT scores, 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.

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3. Place all information on the Application as directed.

A. A photocopy of the form will be accepted.

B. Applicants may download the form, but the application format must remain **exactly** as it appears on the site.

4. The scholarship can be used at any accredited university, 2-year or 4-year college or technical school.

5. The 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 April 2026 Middle Niobrara NRD Board of Directors Meeting.

Do not include cover sheets, extra pages or photos. Points will be deducted for not following the directions.

Application MUST be received by April 1st, 2027, by 5 p.m. CST

Return completed applications to:
Middle Niobrara Natural Resources District
303 East Highway 20
Valentine, NE 69201

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