

2012 Tuscarawas County Soil and Water Conservation District Education Scholarship Eligibility

Purpose:

The Tuscarawas County Soil and Water Conservation District is awarding one (1) \$500 scholarship to a Tuscarawas County high school senior. This scholarship was established to assist graduating seniors with the pursuit of a college, university or technical school degree.

Eligibility:

The applicant must be a Tuscarawas County resident or graduating from a Tuscarawas County High School. Home schooled students are eligible as well. Eligible post secondary institutions include technical colleges, two year associate and four year bachelor degree programs. If the applicant plans to attend a program other than the aforementioned institutions please call the Tuscarawas SWCD office for approval of eligibility. Applicants need to be pursuing a degree in the fields of Agriculture, Conservation or Natural Resources. Examples of *some* eligible degrees include: Agriculture and Ag Engineering, Aquatic Ecology, Biological Sciences, Conservation Planning, Environmental Education, Environmental Science, Forestry, Natural Resources Conservation, Soils, Turf management or Wildlife. Call the Tuscarawas SWCD office if you have any questions about your area of interest.

Applications must be received by **May 4, 2012**. The application form may be downloaded via the Tuscarawas SWCD website located at www.tuscsoil.com (Click on *News & Links*, then click on *Events*). **Applications need to be mailed or dropped off to the Tuscarawas SWCD office at 2201 Progress St. Ste B, Dover OH 44622.** Phone 330-339-7976. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. **Applications received after 4:00 p.m. on May 4th will not be considered.** Electronic submission via email will **NOT** be accepted for any reason.

Selection Process:

A three member committee will review all applications and select three (3) students for personal interviews. These students will be contacted by the Tuscarawas SWCD office with a date and time for the interview. The recipient will be selected and notified of the decision by May 18, 2012. Once notified, the student will need to submit a copy of their college letter of acceptance to the Tuscarawas SWCD office. The check can be made payable to the student or mailed directly to the college, and can be spent on tuition, room and board or books.

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To complete the application process, you will also need to submit two (2) letters of recommendation. The letters need to be from people who are not related to you, with one being a teacher, and one being a person from the community at large. *Your recommendation letters should be in sealed envelopes and attached to the application when submitted.* Completed applications and letters of recommendation need to be received at the Tuscarawas SWCD office by 4:00 p.m. on May 4, 2012.

Mail application to:

**Tuscarawas SWCD
2201 Progress St. Ste B
Dover, OH 44622
Attention: Julie Gordon**