



### **Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District Scholarship**

The economy for Tillamook County comprises mainly of Agriculture, Forest Products, Fishing, and Recreation. For this reason, the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District (TCSWCD) is committed to supporting local students who care about our natural resources and wish to promote conservation, impacting future natural resource decisions. Our goal is to assist college students majoring in the field of agriculture, natural resource science, or a related discipline. **The district is pleased to offer three- \$1,500 scholarships for the 2024-2025 school year.**

#### **Scholarship Eligibility**

- Students must be a graduate of a Tillamook County high school or a current resident of Tillamook County.
- Scholarships will be awarded to a graduating high school senior or a resident of Tillamook County to be enrolled at any University, College, Junior College, or Trade School, working toward an associate, bachelor, graduate degree, or trade certification.
- Applicant must be a full-time college student (12 hours or more per quarter or semester equivalent) studying agriculture, natural resource sciences, or a related field (i.e. horticulture, trade).
- It is possible to reapply for the scholarship annually.

#### **Application Requirements**

- Complete and sign the application form. The form is available at the TCSWCD office at 4000 Blimp Blvd. STE 200 Tillamook, OR, 503-457-9024. It is also downloadable from the TCSWCD website <http://www.tillamookcountyswcd.org>
- The applicant must submit TWO letters of recommendation explaining the applicant's character, leadership abilities and dedication to scholastic pursuits and their interest in making a positive impact on natural resources or agricultural issues. One letter must be from a teacher an advisor or community member. The second letter may be a personal reference from a non-related person.
- High school transcripts and *post-high school transcripts (if applicable)* must be included with this application. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.
- **Incomplete applications are considered ineligible.**

#### **Timeline**

Applications must be **received** by the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District office on or before **May 3, 2024**. For those hand delivering, the deadline is at **4:00 p.m.** The scholarship committee will meet to review and select scholarship winners. The scholarship winners will be announced on or before the May TCSWCD Board meeting. Recipients will be notified immediately following the board decision and the recipients may be asked to attend the June board meeting.

Scholarship funds are sent directly to the school for dispersal.



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**2024 Scholarship Checklist**

To avoid submitting an incomplete application, please use the checklist below as a tool for successful scholarship application.

**DEADLINE:** Applications must be **RECEIVED** at the District office by **4:00 p.m. on May 3, 2024.**

**IF YOU SUBMIT AN INCOMPLETE APPLICATION, YOU WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION!**

**Check if true or item is completed**

	Applicant is a graduate of a Tillamook County high school or a current resident of Tillamook County. <b>MUST Include proof</b> (high school transcript <b>or</b> voter registration card <b>or</b> other form of proof of residency)
	Applicant will be a graduating high school senior or a resident of Tillamook County to be enrolled at any University, Junior College, College or Trade School, working toward an associate, bachelor, graduate degree or trade certification.
	Applicant will be a fulltime college or Trade School student (12 hours or more per quarter or semester).
	Applicant must be studying agriculture or a natural resource science or related field (i.e. horticulture, Trade School).
	Applicant must submit <b>TWO</b> letters of reference with the application.
	Applicant must submit a high school and college transcript ( <b>if applicable</b> ) with the application.
	Applicant must submit, in one page or less, their career goals in agriculture or a natural resources field and explain how their goals will benefit what we do at the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District.
	Completed and signed application form is included in submission.



7. List participation in scholastic organizations, school activities or civic activities (if additional room is needed, attach a page):

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8. List recognitions, awards and honors received for civic or scholastic activities (if additional room is needed, attach a page):

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9. Describe your top three leadership experiences (if additional room is needed, attach a page):

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10. List any work or practical experience you have in the agricultural or natural resources field (if additional room needed, attach a page):

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11. Submit, in one page or less, your career goals in agriculture or natural resources and how your goals would benefit what we do at the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District.

12. How did you hear about this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Applicant certifies that the information provided in this application form is true.

Applicant agrees that if selected for a scholarship, applicant will attend the institution listed above and will pursue the major course of study listed in the application for the duration of the academic year.

Applicant understands and agrees that failure to comply with the above may render applicant ineligible for the scholarship granted and applicant may be required to return any remaining unused portions of the scholarship award to the TCSWCD.

It is understood that submission of this completed application gives permission to the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District to utilize your name and/or picture for promotional purposes to further the mission of the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Applicant Signature