



Buncombe Soil & Water Conservation District Student Scholarship Application

The Buncombe Soil & Water Conservation District Student Scholarship is available to Buncombe County students in high school or currently attending an accredited institution who plan on going into a conservation, agriculture, or other natural resource-related field, OR are a part of a farming family. One scholarship for \$1,000 will be awarded. The awarded individual will be expected to attend a Buncombe SWCD Board meeting to accept the scholarship.

Due date for application is March 15th of the current year.

Name: _____

First

Middle

Last

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ Email _____

High School _____ School Phone _____

Teacher or Employer Reference: Name _____ Phone _____

Please check all that apply. Are you...

- Planning to go into a conservation, agriculture, or other natural resource-related field
- A member of a farming family
- Receiving other scholarships
- A first-generation college student
- Originally from Buncombe County

Applicant signature _____ **Date** _____

ACT Composite Score _____ or SAT Scores: Verbal _____ Math _____ Writing _____

Total _____

Graduation Year _____ Grade Point Average _____ / _____ Rank in Class _____ Class Size _____
(un-weighted/weighted GPA)

College Choices: _____ Applied /Accepted _____ Pending (date intend to apply)

First Choice _____

Second Choice _____

Intended major(s) or interest area(s) is/are (please list in order of preference):

First choice _____ Second choice _____

Long Range Career Goal _____

Please list all Buncombe Soil and Water Conservation District education activities you've participated in and what years (Envirothon, conservation field days, RCW, poster & speech contests, Kids in the Creek, etc.)

| Activity | Year |
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Please list all other extracurricular activities you have participated in and what years (Girl Scouts/Boy Scouts, FFA, 4-H, clubs, internships, volunteering, employment, etc.) You may attach a resume or additional sheets if necessary. Please be specific in the activities.

| Activity | Position Held | Year |
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Choose 2 of the following questions to answer. Your answers must be 4-6 sentences. Attach answers on a separate sheet of paper and specify which questions you're answering.

1. What do you know about agriculture in Buncombe County?
2. What values has being part of a farming family in Buncombe County taught you?
3. From an environmental standpoint, what is your definition of sustainability?
4. If funding were available, what is one conservation project you would like to see implemented at your local elementary, middle, or high school?
5. How have you implemented conservation practices in your own life?
6. From a financial standpoint, what impact would this scholarship have on your education?
7. What specific factors have influenced your long-term career goals?

Please return completed application and questions to: taira.lance@buncombecounty.org or

Buncombe Soil & Water Conservation District

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