Area 1 North Carolina Soil and Water Conservation District Conservation Scholarship Application

This form is the application for the Area 1 NC Soil and Water Conservation District scholarship fund.

- High school students interested in pursuing a college major in the studies of *agriculture, field science, conservation, energy, natural resources, environmental science, or related field* are encouraged to apply.
- Priority will be given to high school seniors, however all high school students from Area 1 can apply as well as students already enrolled in college that are from Area 1.
- Area 1 counties include: Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, and Yancey.
- Specific amount of scholarship will depend on funding available that year.
- Awards decision will be made before end of school year.
- The Area 1 North Carolina SWCD committee reserves the right to call candidates in for interviews before award decision is made.
- Previous winners will be considered but must reapply each year.
- A minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5 is required for consideration of application.
- A copy of applicant's high school transcripts **must** be included with this application.
- Award decision will be made by May 15th. Winner must make arrangements for payment by July1st. If arrangement for payment is not made by July 1st, the award will go to the next highest ranked student.
- Due date for application is March 15th of the current school year.

Please submit application to:

Cayle Aldridge NC Div. of Soil and Water Conservation 589 Raccoon Road, Suite 205 Waynesville, NC 28786

Contact Cayle Aldridge at 828-736-1356 with any questions.

Complete the following:

Name:			SSN (last 4 digits):		
	First	Last	_ County	Home Phone	
City		State	_ Zip Code	Email	
High School			School Phone		
Address		(City	Zip	

Letter of Recommendation

A letter of recommendation must be included with the application. The letter can be from a teacher, counselor, advisor, employer, etc. and must include contact information for the person writing the letter, how long this person has known the applicant, relationship of the person to the applicant, strengths the applicant has shown, and why this applicant would be a good candidate for this scholarship.

Applicant signature	Date	

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ACT Composite Score Total	or SAT Scores: Verbal	Math	Writing
High School Graduation Year (un-weighted/weighted GPA)	Grade Point Average	/	
College Choices:		Applied /Accepted	Pending (date intend to apply)
First Choice			
Second Choice			
Third Choice			
Intended major(s) or interest area(s) is/a	are (please list in order of prefere	ence):	
First choice	Secc	ond choice	
Long Range Career Goal (ex. Wildlife tech	nnician, forestry specialist, soil scie	entist, etc.)	
		Year	Position Held
Please list all other <u>natural res</u> scouts/Boy scouts, FFA, 4-H, I resume or additional sheets if	Environmental club, inte		•
	-	Year	Position Held

***On a separate sheet of paper write an essay about your future career goals. Essay must include three points:

- Describe how your intended major and long-term career goals relate to natural resources and conservation.
- Discuss your personal achievements and how they will help you meet your long-term career goals.
- Describe the importance of this scholarship and how it will assist you in meeting your goals.