2025 Noble Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Education Scholarship Eligibility

Purpose:

The Noble Soil and Water Conservation District is awarding two (2) \$500.00 scholarships to a Noble County resident to assist with the pursuit of a college, university or technical school degree.

Eligibility:

The applicant must be a Noble County resident. Eligible post-secondary institutions include technical colleges, two-year associate and four-year bachelor's degree programs. Applicants need to be pursuing a degree in the fields of Agriculture, Conservation or Natural Resources. Examples of *some* eligible degrees include but are not limited to: 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 Noble SWCD office if you have any questions about your area of interest. If you change your major, you must contact the SWCD office to verify your continuing eligibility.

The deadline for applications submission is April 4th of the current calendar year. Applications need to be mailed or dropped off to the Noble SWCD office at 46049 Marietta Rd., Suite 5, Caldwell, OH 43724. Phone: 740-732-4318. Office hours are 8:00 am to 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. **Applications received after 4:30 pm on April 4th will not be considered**. Electronic submission via e-mail will **NOT** be accepted for any reason.

Selection Process:

A panel chosen by Noble SWCD Board of Supervisors will review all applications. Final selection will be decided by the SWCD Board of Supervisors and may be based on an interview. The recipient will be selected and notified of the decision by the end of May of the current year. Once notified, the student will need to submit a copy of their college letter of acceptance to the Noble SWCD office. A check for \$500.00 will be awarded after the first semester or quarter with verification of passing grades. The student will need to bring a copy of their grades to the SWCD office to receive their check. Students need to make contact with District Staff within one month of receiving passing grades to be eligible to receive scholarship funds.

To complete the application process, you will also need to submit two (2) letters of recommendation. The letters need to be from someone who is not related to you, for example a teacher, 4-H or Scout leader, community member, or employer. 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 Noble SWCD office by 4:30 pm on April 5th of the current calendar year.

Mail application to:

Noble SWCD 46049 Marietta Rd. Caldwell, OH 43724

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Student:

Cell Phone:

Please Note: The two required short answer questions are below. Please type your response of no more than 250 words double spaced and in paragraph form on a separate sheet of paper.

Questions #1: Please describe your intended course of study and explain how it relates to natural resources/conservation.

Questions #2: Please explain your experiences or background with natural resources/conservation projects or activities.