



## Westlands Water District

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### Instructions

#### **Application Deadline: May 22, 2020**

Complete the attached application and include the following requirements. Please place the student's name and school in the upper right hand corner of every section.

- A copy of the student's most recent high school transcripts.
- A copy of the acceptance letter from the college or university the student is attending in the fall semester.
- Two reference letters written by two different people of no relation to the student. The letters must be sealed in an envelope, signed and dated on the seal of the envelope.
- A 500 or less word essay from one of the three topics below. The essay should be typed, double spaced, 12 point Arial or Times New Roman font. Please restate the question in the upper left corner of the first page.
  - Explain how agriculture has affected your life.
  - Explain how Westlands Water District has affected you and your family.
  - Explain the importance of agricultural water to California and the west side of the San Joaquin Valley.

All essays will be judged on content as well as grammar and punctuation.

When all requirements are complete, please enclose all documents in a manila envelope and mail or hand deliver to Westlands Water District, Attn: Public Affairs, P.O. Box 6056, Fresno, CA 93703-6056. All applications MUST be either hand delivered or postmarked by the deadline indicated above. No late applications will be accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Kathryn Boren, Special Advisor, 559.241.6238.

## Westlands Water District Scholarship Guidelines

### Applicants

- The scholarships are open to all college bound seniors from Riverdale High School, Mendota High School, Tranquility High School, Lemoore Union High School, Coalinga High School and Firebaugh High School who are planning on attending a two-year or four-year college or university.
- One student from each school will be selected to receive a \$1,000 scholarship for use on college-related expenses.

### Judging Process

- The scholarship applications will be judged by a committee of Westlands Water District employees and/or associates.
- The applications will be judged based on the student's academic achievements, leadership, initiative, grade point average and financial need. Essays will be judged on a point system. All essays will be judged on content, punctuation and grammar.

### Awarding the Scholarships

- A letter indicating the award and amount of the scholarship will be sent to the high school.
- A media release will be sent out to local media announcing the scholarship winners following the scholarship presentation.

