



## Westlands Water District

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### High School Scholarship Application Instructions

Application Deadline: May 22, 2022

Please read carefully and follow all directions. Incomplete or incorrect applications will not be accepted.

To be considered for the Westlands Water District High School Scholarship please submit all of the following documents with the applicant's name and school in the upper right hand corner of each document:

- A completed application form (which can be found below).
- An essay written by the applicant that is 500 word or less on one of the three topics below. The essay should be typed, double spaced, 12 point Times New Roman font. All essays will be judged on content and grammar. Please restate the question in the upper left corner of the first page.
  1. Explain how agriculture has affected your life.
  2. Explain how Westlands Water District has affected you and your family.
  3. Explain the importance of agricultural water to California and the westside of the San Joaquin Valley.
- A copy of applicant's most recent official high school transcripts.
- A copy of the applicant's acceptance letter from the accredited post-secondary school which the applicant plans to attend in the falls. A reference list of institutions can be found here: [ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home](http://ope.ed.gov/dapip/#/home)
- Two reference letters, written by two non-relatives. The letters must be signed and include the reference's contact information.

All applications and all required attachments, described above, must be delivered, emailed, or postmarked by 11:59 pm on the deadline indicated above. Late applications will not be accepted. Applications and attachments can be submitted via mail or hand delivered to the addresses below or submitted via email to [pubaffairs@wwd.ca.gov](mailto:pubaffairs@wwd.ca.gov) with the subject line "High School Scholarship [applicant name]." If you have any questions, please contact us at [pubaffairs@wwd.ca.gov](mailto:pubaffairs@wwd.ca.gov) or 559-241-6233.

Mail to:  
Westlands Water District  
Attn: Public Affairs  
P.O. Box 6056  
Fresno, CA 93703-6056

Hand deliver to:  
Westlands Water District  
Attn: Public Affairs  
3130 N Fresno St  
Fresno CA 93703

## Westlands Water District High School Scholarship Guidelines

### Applicants

- The scholarships are open to all graduating seniors from Avenal High School, Coalinga High School, Firebaugh High School, Hanford Joint Union School District High Schools, Lemoore High School, Mendota High School, Riverdale High School, and Tranquillity High School who are planning on attending an accredited post-secondary education program, including 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 education-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, contributions to the local community, and career goals. Essays will be judged on content, punctuation and grammar.

### Awarding the Scholarships

- Students chosen to receive the award will be notified by phone.
- A notification indicating the award will be sent to the high school.
- A District press release will be sent to local media announcing the scholarship winners.
- Scholarship recipients will receive a check in the mail to the address provided in the application.



To the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

For an applicant under 18 years, the following release must be signed by the applicant's parent or guardian.

I, the undersigned as the parent/guardian of the applicant, do hereby authorize Westlands Water District's Public Affairs Office to use the name of \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant's name) and information contained within the application in any press communications related to the announcement of the scholarship winners following the scholarship presentation; unless within five (5) days of the notification of scholarship award, you or the applicant notifies the Public Affairs Office in writing otherwise.

Parent/Guardian's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print parent/guardian's name: \_\_\_\_\_