



Berks County Conservation District Scholarship Application

The attached application is to compete for the following scholarships:

\$4,000 Scholarship

\$1,000 Scholarship

\$1,000 Solon Phillips Memorial Scholarship

\$500 Memorial Endowment Scholarship

Qualifications:

1. Berks County High School senior or college student that will enter or is currently enrolled in an undergraduate program in 2012.
2. Demonstrates the desire to major in a conservation-related field.
3. Accepted by an accredited institution of higher learning. The acceptance letter must be submitted with the application, if applicable, letter must be submitted before scholarship is awarded.

Conditions for Award of the Scholarships:

1. Students must be enrolled in an undergraduate program related to conservation, engineering, or other environmental major course of study. The determination of acceptable enrollment will be made with the submission of the student's tuition bill to the Berks County Conservation District for the first semester of his/her year. Failure to be enrolled in the stated major will be cause the scholarship to be forfeited.
2. Scholarship recipients for college students already enrolled in an undergraduate program related to conservation, engineering, or other environmental major course of study must have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.85. The determination of a sufficient GPA will be made with the submission of the student's transcript to the Berks County Conservation District. Failure to maintain a GPA of 2.85 will be cause to not award the scholarship.

The determination of whether the major course of study qualifies will be at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Berks County Conservation District.



I. Identification

Full Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Home Telephone: (_____) _____
Date of Birth: _____ Social Security Number: _____
Name of Parent(s) / Guardian(s): _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Telephone (if different than above):(_____) _____

Please use a separate sheet (or sheets) of 8 1/2 x 11 white paper and a size 12 Times New Roman font to provide us with the following information:

II. Personal Record (20 Points)

- A. Organizations: List school and community organizations in which you were or are currently involved (Indicate Local, State, or National chapters). Include dates of involvement.
- B. Awards: List any important awards and recognition you have received.
- C. Outstanding Accomplishments: List any outstanding accomplishments and how they relate to personal goals and aspirations.

III. Scholastic Record (20 Points)

- A. High School / College Name: _____
Class Rank: Top 1/10 ____ Top 1/5 ____ Top 1/2 ____ Other _____
- B. Attach high school and/or college transcript or statement from appropriate school official.
- C. Attach copy of college acceptance letter.

IV. Career Plans (10 Points)

- A. Write a simple statement explaining your goals and career plans.

V. Letters of Recommendation and other pertinent information (5 Points)

- A. Attach at least one, but no more than three, letters of recommendation. Other pertinent information, such as newspaper clippings, may also be included.

VI. Submit a 500-word essay on the following topic (15 Points)

- A. In 2011, Berks County experienced record amounts of rainfall causing numerous flooding events. In addition to local weather patterns, land use can affect the frequency and severity of flooding occurrences. Explain how flooding and associated impacts can be addressed through proper planning and land use.

