

Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District Scholarship

The economy for Tillamook County comprises mainly of Agriculture, Forest Products, Fishing, and Recreation. For this reason, the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District (TCSWCD) is committed to supporting local students who care about our natural resources and wish to promote conservation, impacting future natural resource decisions. Our goal is to assist college students majoring in the field of agriculture, natural resource science, or a related discipline. The district is pleased to offer three-\$1,500 scholarships for the 2024-2025 school year.

Scholarship Eligibility

- Students must be a graduate of a Tillamook County high school or a current resident of Tillamook County.
- Scholarships will be awarded to a graduating high school senior or a resident of Tillamook County to be enrolled at any University, College, Junior College, or Trade School, working toward an associate, bachelor, graduate degree, or trade certification.
- Applicant must be a full-time college student (12 hours or more per quarter or semester equivalent) studying agriculture, natural resource sciences, or a related field (i.e. horticulture, trade).
- It is possible to reapply for the scholarship annually.

Application Requirements

- Complete and sign the application form. The form is available at the TCSWCD office at 4000 Blimp Blvd. STE 200 Tillamook, OR, 503-812-9959. It is also downloadable from the TCSWCD website http://www.tillamookcountyswcd.org
- The applicant must submit TWO letters of recommendation explaining the applicant's character, leadership abilities and dedication to scholastic pursuits and their interest in making a positive impact on natural resources or agricultural issues. One letter must be from a teacher an advisor or community member. The second letter may be a personal reference from a non-related person.
- High school transcripts and post-high school transcripts (if applicable) must be included with this application. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.
- Incomplete applications are considered ineligible.

<u>Timeline</u>

Applications must be **received** by the Tillamook County Soil and Water Conservation District office on or before **May 3**, **2024.** For those hand delivering, the deadline is at <u>4:00 p.m.</u> The scholarship committee will meet to review and select scholarship winners. The scholarship winners will be announced on or before the May TCSWCD Board meeting. Recipients will be notified immediately following the board decision and the recipients may be asked to attend the June board meeting.

Scholarship funds are sent directly to the school for dispersal.