**PIKE SWCD**

**SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Pike Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) will award two graduating high school seniors a

$500.00 scholarship each, for the 2025-2026 school year. The purpose of this scholarship is to aid students pursuing a degree in the following:

* Natural Resources
* Environmental
* Agriculture

To ensure that your application is reviewed and processed quickly, please read and follow these procedures and requirements:

# Procedures:

All applicants must:

* Personally complete the application and essay paper.
* Submit only the documents required.
* Send completed application and documents to Pike SWCD, Attn: Darlene Brewster, 11752 State Route 104, Waverly OH 45690. **Faxes or emails will *not* be accepted.**
* Deadline: Only those applications postmarked on or before April 4, 2025, will be considered.
* Application and essay become the property of Pike SWCD and will not be returned to the applicant.
* Please understand that submitting this application is in no way a guarantee that a scholarship will be awarded.
* The Pike Soil and Water Conservation District Selection Committee reserves the right to all submissions.

# Eligibility Requirements

All applicants must be:

* A resident of Pike County.
* A Pike County graduating high school senior, planning to pursue a natural resource, environmental or agriculture degree.
* Enrolled as a student at a higher education institution at time of issuance.

# Application Requirements:

All applicants must provide:

* Application
* Essay (see application for details)
* High school transcript copy
* Two signed letters of recommendation from a mentor, teacher, civic leader, or organization/club leader who knows the applicant personally. (Endorsements from parents will not be accepted)

**PIKE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

11752 State Route 104

Waverly, OH. 45690

***Scholarship Application***

Application, Essay, and Letters of Recommendation are due to the above address by **April 4th, 2025.**

**Please type or print in black ink**

Name First Middle. Last

Date of Birth: Home/Cell Number:

Home/Mailing Address:

Email Address:

Name of Parent/Guardian:

First Middle Last Number of family members in your household:

What is your approximate family’s combined annual income

# School Information

Name of High School:

School Address:

Principal’s Name:

Guidance Counselor’s Name:

School Telephone:

# Academic Information

GPA: ACT Scores:

Anticipated date of high school graduation:

# Activities:

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| ***Athletics***   * Baseball * Basketball * Cheerleading * Cross-country * Football * Golf * Soccer * Track * Volleyball * Wrestling * Powerlifting * Other (please specify) | ***Clubs & Other Activities***   * Band * Choir * Computer * Debate * Drama/Theatre * Foreign Language * National Honor * Society * FFA * FCLA * DECA * Other (Please Specify) | ***Activities Outside of School***   * Church * Youth Group * Civic * Community Theater * Exchange Student Program * 4-H * Junior Achievement * Scouts * Tutoring * Other (Please Specify**)** |

**College Plans**

In order of preference, list at least two colleges/universities to which you have applied to or planning to apply.

List your planned field of interest and what you plan to do when you graduate from college/university.

# Essay

Please answer the following question in your own words. Please type the essay in at least 250 words, double spaced, on a separate sheet of paper.

Why is natural resources, environment, or agriculture important to you?

# Signature

I hereby authorize the Pike Soil & Water Conservation District Scholarship Selection Committee authority to request and obtain any further information it deems necessary. By signing below, I confirm that all information and statements on this form are true and correct.

Signature of Applicant Date

# *Parent/ Guardian’s Approval Form*

I have read this application, and it has my approval.

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date