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## **AMERICAN DEER & WILDLIFE ALLIANCE SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS**

### **Eligibility**

*To be eligible to apply for a American Deer & Wildlife Alliance (ADWA) scholarship award you must meet the following criteria:*

1. Nominated for scholarship by an ADWA member in good standing.
2. Candidate must be a graduate of an accredited high school or a person seeking to enroll, or is currently enrolled in college at any level.
3. Applications may be submitted from any college discipline and/or major/minor of study. The scholarship is not limited to Agriculture, Forestry, Veterinary Medicine, Wildlife Sciences and Criminal Justice, as we understand accomplishments in deer and wildlife stewardship and conservation are made beyond formal education.

### **Application Packet**

*A complete application packet is to include the following items:*

1. Completed American Deer & Wildlife Alliance scholarship application form.
2. Two letters of recommendation. One letter must be from an ADWA Member who is nominating the applicant for scholarship consideration. Second letter must be from a teacher or a past or present employer.
3. A cover letter (optional).
4. An essay from the applicant consisting of less than 1,500 words. Write an essay on any topic or choose a topic from any of the following:
  - The Importance of Wildlife in the Modern World.
  - Obstacles I Have Overcome
  - What My Generation Needs to Do to Preserve Hunting Traditions
  - My Biggest Mistake and What I Learned From It
  - My Favorite Teacher and Why
  - A Veteran's Story: Write about a relative or friend who was in the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or National Guard.
  - My Family: Write about describe each member of your family and what they mean to you.
  - What I Want To Do After College: What career do you want and what do you want to accomplish?
  - Giving Thanks: Write on what you are most thankful for in life.
  - My Personal Hero: Who is your personal hero and why?

5. Candidate must submit his/her official high school transcript or current college transcript.

Recommendations are very important in this process. Each applicant needs to be aware that a scoring system is used to determine scholarship recipients. Essay content, spelling accuracy, writing skills, community involvement, character qualities of the applicant and good academic history are the areas to be scored. Each applicant should request a personal recommendation from someone who knows them well. The recommendations are the only way for the scholarship committee to determine the best recipients. Selection of ADWA scholarship recipients will be based upon application information, essay, and letters of recommendation. The application packet must be complete in order for it to be considered for the scholarship.

Applications must be returned to: American Deer & Wildlife Alliance, 3011 Dawn Drive, Suite 107, Georgetown, TX 78628, by April 1, 2009 for consideration of Fall 2009 Scholarship Awards.

Scholarship recipients will be selected by the scholarship committee by May 1, 2009, and the decision of the committee will be final. Recipients will be notified by phone or mail. Recipients are requested to send in photographs which will be published in *ADWA Points Journal*. Winners must notify ADWA of the College or University they will attend. Checks will be issued after proof of enrollment. In addition, recipients are asked to submit an update on their college experience within the following year of their award.

For further information or an application, contact Annie Jones at 877.528.7100 or [annie@deerwildlifealliance.org](mailto:annie@deerwildlifealliance.org).



**Mail to:**

American Deer & Wildlife Alliance  
3011 Drive Drive, Suite 107  
Georgetown, TX 78628  
Fax: 512.864.0033

**AMERICAN DEER & WILDLIFE ALLIANCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor \_\_\_\_\_ Ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependents in college (including yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent siblings under 18, other than self, living at home: \_\_\_\_\_

Schools Applied to or will be attending:

\_\_\_\_\_ Status: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Major area of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment History (most recent listed first):

JOB Date of Employment Hours/Week

JOB	Date of Employment	Hours/Week
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted of, or pled 'no contest' for a game violation in any state: \_\_\_\_\_

Please feel free to include any additional personal information not listed in this application that you believe will be pertinent.

I affirm the above information to be true and correct. Falsifying information on this document may result in the dismissal of the application as well as forfeiture and revocation of any monies awarded.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_