

# Financial Aid Highlights

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## California Water Awareness Campaign's Water Scholar 2005 Program - FAH (Vol. 6, No. 21)

Students are advised that the California Water Awareness Campaign (CWAC) was created in 1987 to educate all Californians about the value of water in everyday life. The Campaign focuses on water quality and conservation in the areas of agriculture, industry, the environment and recreation.

The Water Scholar 2005 program will provide two scholarships to California high school senior and junior college students or current college students, who demonstrate an interest in water careers and issues and are planning on attending or currently attending a 4-year college or university. If you have any questions about the program, or would like to download an application, please visit the CWAC website at: <http://www.wateraware.org/>. The particulars about the scholarship program are as follows:

### PURPOSE

To provide economic support to graduating high school and junior college students who exhibit an interest, or are actively pursuing a career in the water industry. Each year, the CWAC grants two scholarship awards in the amount of \$2,500 each.

### AWARDS

Each winner will receive a check for \$2,500 made out to the name of the chosen institution. The award can be used for tuition or the purchase of books and class materials.

### ELIGIBILITY

Any senior high school or junior college student entering, or any student currently attending, an accredited four-year college or university in California and who is exhibiting an interest or is pursuing a career in the water industry is eligible. Award recipients are selected without regard to race, color, creed, gender, handicap, age or national origin.

### REQUIREMENTS

Applicant must be a California resident. The application form and the following documents will be accepted by the Scholarship Program Committee each year between November 15 and March 15.

- High school and/or junior college transcripts
- Two (2) letters of recommendation: Letters of recommendation must be written within the last six months and contain the name of the applicant, comment on the applicant's character and abilities, and an opinion of his/her ability to profit from a college education. A parent/guardian or close relative CANNOT be considered as a reference. The name and occupation of each person writing a letter is required.

*If any of these documents are missing, the application will not be considered.*

### ASSIGNMENTS

Applicants are required to submit one application and two (2) assignments.

1. Essay --Written essay on the given water-related topic. The essay should be no less than 300 words and no more than 500 words, typed, double-spaced, with appropriate margins.
2. Questionnaire -- Complete the Water Scholar 2005 Questionnaire.
3. Only one application per student will be recognized. Second year applicants will be considered.

#### **SUBMITTAL PROCESS**

Students must mail the application form with the completed assignments (essay and questionnaire) to:

Campaign Coordinator, Lynne Wichmann  
c/o California Water Awareness  
Campaign 910 "K" Street, Suite 340  
Sacramento, CA 95814-3557

#### **SELECTION PROCESS**

The applications are evaluated on a grading scale. Points are gained for the essay and questionnaire. The Committee will pay close attention to the research documented in the essay and will judge the application for its realistic, practical and creative content and value.

The Scholarship Committee will select two winners and present its selection to the Campaign's Steering Committee for final approval. Winners and participating Campaign members will be contacted by the Scholarship Committee members. The Campaign will contact the schools and retail agencies represented.

#### **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

The awards will be presented during the May Water Awareness month activities in Sacramento. Details will be announced in the congratulatory letter sent to the winners.

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