

**NEW YORK RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION
FOUNDER'S SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME (Last)_____ (First)_____ (Initial)___ (M___ F___)

ADDRESS_____ Phone (____)_____

CITY_____ COUNTY_____ ZIP CODE_____

NYRWA Member System Name (i.e. Name of Village)_____
(to qualify for this scholarship)

HIGH SCHOOL NAME_____ GRADUATING DATE _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS _____ CITY_____ ZIP _____

YOUR CLASS RANK_____ SAT SCORES: Math _____

Number of Students in your Graduating Class _____ Verbal _____
YOUR GRADE AVERAGE_____ **(Transcript must be submitted with application.)**

College/University Data

IS THIS YOUR FIRST YEAR OF HIGHER EDUCATION? YES___ NO___

If "NO", college transcript required

IF "NO", INDICATE CREDIT HOURS COMPLETED_____

NUMBER OF CREDIT HOURS REQUIRED TO GRADUATE _____

COLLEGE GRADE POINT AVERAGE_____

NAME OF SCHOOL YOU WILL ATTEND _____

ADDRESS_____

CITY_____ STATE_____ ZIP _____

___ 4 yr. College or University ___ 2 yr. Community or Junior College

___ Vocational-Technical School ___ Other: Specify:_____

MAJOR or COURSE OF STUDY_____

Priority will be given but not limited to water related studies.

Please indicate which of the following income ranges matches your family income. ___<
\$30,000 ___\$30,000-44,999 ___\$45,000-\$59,000 ___\$60,000-\$74,999 ___>\$75,000

IF YOU RECEIVE OTHER FINANCIAL AID, ITEMIZE BY NAME & AMOUNT.

NAME:_____ AMOUNT:_____

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List below your high school activities, dating from the present back to your sophomore year. Please include academic, extracurricular, community and athletic activities:

Senior Year:_____

Junior Year: _____

Sophomore Year: _____

List below any academic or athletic awards or other special recognition you have received dating back to your sophomore year: _____

ESSAY: In 250 words or less, write a brief essay on your goals as they relate to your education, career, and future plans, attach to this application for submittal.

CERTIFICATION

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information will result in termination of any scholarship granted.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date: _____
Parent's Signature _____ Date: _____

OFFICIAL RULES

One time grant of \$500 will be made to one student to defray the cost of tuition, books, or room & board at an accredited institution of higher learning approved by the New York Rural Water Association. Disbursement of the money will be made upon presentation of winner's college invoice as proof of enrollment. Applicants must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States, a resident of the State of New York and reside on a water system that is a member of the NYRWA. In order to be eligible for a scholarship, applicants must complete the application form in its entirety and return it to the NYRWA by the entry postmark deadline, **February 2, 2026**. All applications will be first screened on the basis of leadership responsibilities in community activities, school activities and on grade point average. Scholarship recipients will be selected on the basis of the number, length of commitment, and quality of leadership responsibilities in community and school activities, awards, honors, academic record, career goals and financial need. Priority will be given but not necessarily limited to water-related studies. Recipients will be notified by mail and will be announced at the NYRWA Annual Conference. Acceptance of scholarship constitutes permission to use recipient's name and/or likeness for purposes of advertising. No transfer of scholarship is permitted. Applicants must plan to attend an accredited school in the Fall of 2026. Employees of New York Rural Water Association, the Board of Directors, Advisory Council, their affiliates and immediate families are not eligible. Return to NYRWA; PO Box 487, Claverack, NY 12513.