

# National Wild Turkey Federation's Dr. James Earl Kennamer Academic Scholarship Program



## Instructions

1. Read the applicant information sheet carefully to determine eligibility before completing application.
2. Include your full name on the upper left corner of all pages, including attachments.
3. Make sure all portions of the application are complete and include all requested enclosures. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
4. Applicant and school guidance counselor/principal must sign application.
5. Return this application to your **local NWTF chapter** no later than **February 28<sup>th</sup>**. Applications sent directly to NWTF National headquarters **will not be** considered. To find your local chapter visit [www.nwtf.org](http://www.nwtf.org) and select your state from the "Find all chapters by state" pull down menu.

**Return postmarked application *no later than February 28<sup>th</sup>* to:**

Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Contact Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

## PART I: Applicant Information

*Please type or print.*

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Telephone No. (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian with whom you reside: \_\_\_\_\_

Current NWTF Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_ (See part VI if you are not a current member)

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_



**PART II: Extracurricular Activities**

*Securely attach additional sheets if necessary.*

List membership in school-related organizations (i.e. Honor Society, FFA, Beta Club, Science Club, Ecology Club, Student Council, etc.):

List elected leadership positions held in high school:

List activities that demonstrate community leadership and /or involvement (i.e. Scouts, 4-H, civic group or club, volunteer work, etc.):

List awards received for school or community involvement:

List job experience (i.e. after school, summer, etc.):

How did you learn about the NWTF's Academic Scholarship Program?

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_



**PART III: School Information**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

College Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Study Area: \_\_\_\_\_

**PART IV: Essay**

Write a brief essay describing your commitment to conservation and preserving our hunting heritage. Essay must be typewritten, double-spaced and should not exceed three pages. Essay must include:

- why you will be a good investment if you are awarded this conservation scholarship
- any experiences and background that demonstrate your dedication to conservation and the preservation of our hunting heritage
- why hunting is important to you and your family

**PART V: Letters of Reference**

Include three letters of reference from teachers, counselors, community leaders or clergy (do not include relatives).

**PART VI: Required Enclosures**

Complete applications must include:

- official, sealed transcripts
- copy of current hunting license
- photo (minimum wallet size suitable for publication). Head shot only.
- copy of current National Wild Turkey Federation membership card. If you are not a current member of NWTF, visit [www.nwtf.org](http://www.nwtf.org) or call (800) THE-NWTF to join. Include a copy of your online receipt or ask our membership department for an ID number to include with your application for membership verification purposes.

**PART VII: Counselor or Principal Signature and Stats**

*To be completed by counselor or principal*

Current Cumulative Grade Point Average (unweighted) \_\_\_\_\_

\*If your school does not use a 4.0 scale, please calculate and convert GPA to a 4.0 scale.

Applicant's rank in graduation class: \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_ (total number in class)

**\*Official, sealed transcripts are required.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Guidance Counselor or Principal

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**PART VIII: Signature**

By signing this form, I hereby grant the National Wild Turkey Federation the unconditional right to use my name, photograph and essay in connection with press releases and/or publications. I also certify that I have read and meet the eligibility requirements for the NWTF scholarship.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Before mailing this application please check for the following:**

- I have completed the APPLICANT INFORMATION section
- I have completed the EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES section
- I have completed the SCHOOL INFORMATION section and acquired the signature of my guidance counselor or principal
- I have enclosed my ESSAY
- I have enclosed three LETTERS OF REFERENCE
- I have enclosed OFFICIAL, SEALED TRANSCRIPTS
- I have enclosed a copy of my CURRENT HUNTING LICENSE
- I have enclosed a copy of my current NWTF MEMBERSHIP CARD
- I have enclosed a HEAD SHOT PHOTO of myself suitable for publication
- I have SIGNED MY APPLICATION
- I have read the APPLICANT/SCHOOL INFORMATION SHEET
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## Applicant/School Instruction Sheet



### Eligibility:

1. Students should be graduating seniors with a 3.0 on 4.0 scale or equivalent grade point average. (If transcript indicates a scale other than 4.0, student should have a minimum of 3.75 on a **5.0 scale**, **4.5/6.0 scale**, **5.25/7.0 scale**, **6.0/8.0 scale**, **6.75/9.0 scale** or a **7.5/10.0 scale**).
2. Students must be pursuing a degree at an accredited institution of higher education (i.e. Junior College, Community College, Technical College, College or University).
3. Students must support the preservation of the hunting tradition and actively participate in hunting sports. A copy of current hunting license is required.
4. Students must hold a current NWTF membership.
5. Students must be involved in school activities (i.e. FFA, Ecology Club, Science Club, Beta Club, Student Council, etc.).
6. Students must demonstrate ability as a leader among his or her peers.
7. Students must demonstrate community leadership and/or involvement (i.e. Scouting, 4-H, civic group or club, volunteer work).
8. Students must submit an essay exhibiting dedication to conservation (see application).
9. Three letters of recommendation must be attached to the application (i.e. teacher, counselor, community leader).
10. High schools/students must submit complete applications to the local chapter by February 28. The local chapter president's name and address should appear on the application in the box provided.
11. Employees and board members of the NWTF and their family members are not eligible to participate in the program.

### Disbursement of Funds:

Students may use their scholarship at any accredited institution of higher education (i.e. Junior College, Community College, Technical College, College or University). The money must be used for tuition, books, fees and housing. The NWTF chapter will work with the student to determine the payee. This is a one-time award.