

SOUTH DAKOTA WELL DRILLERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The South Dakota Well Drillers Association is pleased to offer scholarships totaling **\$10,000.00** to five deserving students. There will be one \$4,000.00, one \$3,000.00 and three \$1,000.00 scholarships awarded. SDWDA scholarships will be given every other year when the association's convention is held in South Dakota. The Association recognizes the need for educational advancements at all levels of the industry and seeks to support students pursuing their educational goals.

Rules for Application:

- Applicant must be a resident of South Dakota **OR** a son/daughter/dependent of an individual employed by a MEMBER COMPANY in Good Standing (having paid all dues for the current year). A higher priority will be given to a relative of an employee of a MEMBER COMPANY.
- Applicant must be a full-time student that has ***successfully completed, at a minimum, their freshman year*** at an accredited South Dakota University or Technical School with a major emphasis on a degree related to the water/water well/groundwater industry. Areas of study include, but are not limited to: Engineering, Geology, Hydro-Geology, Environmental or Earth Sciences, Pump Installation/Plumbing, Geo-Thermal, etc.
- Applicant must have an accumulative grade point average of 2.0 and be able to provide full college transcripts from the current educational institution.
- **Transcripts for classes completed through the most recently completed college semester must accompany the application.**
- The top two award recipients will be required to attend the SDWDA Convention to accept the scholarship or the scholarship will be forfeited. The convention will be held at The Lodge in Deadwood, SD on March 10-13, 2019. The scholarship presentations will be held on Monday evening, March 11, as part of the scholarship benefit auction and meal festivities. One night's lodging (\$100.00), travel expenses (\$150.00), and meal tickets (max. 4 per recipient) will be provided by the Association to the scholarship winners.
- Scholarships will be sent directly to the South Dakota University or Technical School.
- Applicant must complete the following application in full and have it submitted to the proper location BEFORE the deadline. The deadline of this year's application is **December 1, 2018**. The winners will be notified by January 15, 2019.
- A photo of the applicant **must** accompany the application.
- Applications received after the deadline will not be eligible.
- **Applications must be typed (no exceptions).**

Application Procedures:

- To be considered, applicants **must submit** the following documents:
 - Complete Scholarship Application. **Incomplete applications or applications not containing all supporting information will not be considered.**
 - A 300 word or less personal statement.
 - A 500 word or less description of your educational pursuits and ***how career goals will relate to the water industry.***
 - A statement of verification from company owner/representative if related to an employee of a SDWDA Member Company.
 - One letter of recommendation from applicant's ***collegiate*** academic advisor, counselor, or instructor.
 - One letter of personal recommendation (***family members and high school and collegiate advisors, counselors, instructors, or coaches are excluded***).
 - Transcripts.
 - Recent photo.

Return Application To:
Dennis Duvall
SDWDA Scholarship Committee
PO Box 636
Huron, SD 57350

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name in full: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Home Address: _____
Street/PO Box City State Zip Code

Home/Cell Phone: _____ Date of Birth _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Male or Female (circle)

Are you, or a relative, currently employed by a member company in good standing of SDWDA? Yes or No (circle)

If so, by whom? _____

Company name: _____

Relationship to this person: _____

Address: _____
Street/PO Box City State Zip Code

High School: _____ Date of Graduation: _____

Name and Address of College: _____

Is this a 4-year, 2-year, or technical school? _____

Last year of education completed: _____

Field of Study: _____

PERSONAL STATEMENT

In 300 words or less, provide an insight to your life. Include items such as: family, activities, clubs, special recognitions, awards, honors, or community involvement. ***You may attach statement.***

CAREER GOALS STATEMENT

- Describe in 500 words or less, the nature of your educational pursuits and ***how your career goals will relate to the water industry. You may attach statement.***

Also address the following items:

- Be specific about the type of business you are interested in and the position you want to hold.
- Why do you want to be in the field you have chosen?
- What persuaded you to choose this field of study?
- Why is a career in this industry important to you?
- What skills do you possess which will help you reach your goals?
- Where do you hope to be, and what do you hope to be doing 10 years from now?

VERIFICATION STATEMENT

If applicant is related to an employee of a SDWDA member company, a statement of verification from owner/representative of said company stating how and to whom the applicant is related is required.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- One letter of recommendation from applicant's ***collegiate*** academic advisor, counselor, or instructor.
- One letter of personal recommendation (***family members and high school and collegiate advisors, counselors, instructors, or coaches are excluded***).

TRANSCRIPTS

- **Transcripts for classes completed through the most recently completed college semester must accompany the application.**

PHOTO

A recent photo of the applicant is required.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Please provide you complete employment history. List full-time, part-time, or summer employment. LIST YOUR CURRENT OR MOST RECENT JOB FIRST. An employment history sheets is attached for your convenience. Add additional sheets if necessary. **A resume may be furnished in place of filling out this section.**

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS OR APPLICATIONS NOT CONTAINING ALL SUPPORTING INFORMATION (PHOTO, TRANSCRIPTS, ETC.) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Place of Employment: _____

Address: _____

Type of Business: _____

Term of Employment (from-to): _____

Your Position and/or Duties: _____

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