

CENTRAL NEW YORK CHAPTER  
MID-ATLANTIC STATES SECTION OF THE  
**AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT**  
A S S O C I A T I O N

## **2023 Scholarship Program**

### **Application Criteria and Award Details**

#### Who is Eligible?

1. High school graduates entering college in the fall of 2023.

OR

2. Current college students enrolled in undergraduate or graduate level programs and continuing studies through fall semester 2023.
  - Applicants must be enrolled in an environmental-related degree track.
  - Applicants do not have to be an Air and Waste Management Association (AWMA) member or a relative of an AWMA member.
  - College student applicants must be enrolled as a full-time student (12 credit-hours or more). Some credit may be given for teaching assistantships.

#### Regional Requirement

Applicants **MUST** be residents of **or** going to a college in the Central New York Chapter region (Jefferson, Lewis, Herkimer, Oneida, Oswego, Cayuga, Onondaga, Madison, Otsego, Chenango, Cortland, St. Lawrence, Tompkins, Tioga, Broome, and Delaware Counties).

#### Awards

The Central New York AWMA is committed to awarding individual scholarships of up to \$1,500. The dollar amount of the individual awards may vary depending on the number and quality of applicants. Awards may be received by the same individual once for undergraduate and once for graduate level studies.

#### Award(s) Presentation Date

Award(s) are planned to be presented during a CNY AWMA dinner meeting to be held in the Syracuse area in the spring of 2023.

## Instructions for Applicants

1. Eligibility Requirements
  - a. Applicant must be enrolled in a college located in the Central NY (CNY) region or be a resident of CNY.
    - i. High School Applicants: College acceptance letter or a list of colleges applied to must accompany scholarship application.
    - ii. All Applicants: Scholarship payment will not be issued until a Bursar's receipt is provided as proof of enrollment.
  - b. Applicant must be enrolled in a full-time (12 credit hours or more) degree track related to the environment. (Some credit may be given for teaching assistantships.) Such programs could include, but are not limited to:
    - i. Environmental Engineering
    - ii. Civil Engineering with an environmental minor
    - iii. Chemical Engineering with an environmental minor
    - iv. Hydrogeology with an environmental emphasis
    - v. Biology or Microbiology with an environmental emphasis
    - vi. Environmental Law
2. Application Instructions
  - a. A complete and signed application is required. Information on the application forms should be filled in electronically or neatly printed. All information must be supplied or the application will be considered incomplete and ineligible for the scholarship. Include the following with the completed application.
    - i. Essay
    - ii. School transcripts (copies are accepted and subject to verification)
    - iii. A minimum of two letters of recommendation: one from a teacher/professor, the other from someone not related to the applicant.
  - b. Completed applications must be postmarked or received via email no later than **February 28, 2023**.
3. Scholarship Payment
  - a. A bursar's receipt showing that the student is registered, or other similar proof of enrollment is required in order to receive payment.
  - b. Payment will be made in a lump-sum distribution either in person, if allowed, or by mail in the spring of 2023. If proof of enrollment is not available at that time, the actual payment check will be provided once it is.

## **Scholarship Selection Criteria**

Scholarship applications will be evaluated by a committee based on a range of criteria, including, but not limited to:

<b>Criteria Category</b>	<b>Examples/Evidence</b>
Scholarship	Grade point average, SAT and/or ACT scores
Academic Honors and Awards	Academic awards, competitions, special projects, Honor Society
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• School related activities such as sports, music, clubs and student government</li><li>• Community related activities such as volunteering/community service, sports, clubs, outdoor activities</li><li>• Hobbies</li><li>• Employment</li></ul>
Demonstrated Environmental Interest	Course of study, career goals, activities, essay, and references
Character	Leadership, initiative, acts as role model, willing to assist and participate, activities, references

Final award decisions will be made at the discretion of the CNY AWMA Board of Directors based on recommendations from the CNY AWMA Scholarship Committee.

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To be eligible, all blanks must be completed.

**Applicant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (    )    -  
Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State:    Zip Code:    -  
Birth Date (mm/dd/yyyy):    /    /     Female     Male

**School Information**

Current grade level: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anticipated Graduation Date (mm/yyyy):    /    /    Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_  
SAT/ACT Score:    /    /    Class Rank:    Out of: \_\_\_\_\_

Honors or Awards Received:
Extracurricular Activities:
Hobbies:

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Community Service:
Education Goals:
Career Goals:
Current Employer (if any) and Hours per Week:
Specify what college(s) or university(s) you will be attending/have applied to or are currently attending:
Actual/Intended Major:
Briefly explain why you chose to apply for this scholarship:

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**Essay Questions**

Please complete a thoughtful, original typed response to one of the four following questions. The essay should be at least 500 words. Indicate the essay question number on your response.

1. Social media is a powerful tool that can spread information to wide audiences. In what ways has social media positively and negatively affected things such as consumer ideology, waste production and reduction, and awareness for issues faced by the waste industry? How do you fit in to the intersection of science/engineering and social influence online?
2. Business and industry often receive publicity for the negative environmental impacts of their operations. Some corporations are making significant progress in minimizing their environmental footprint. Provide an example of a corporation implementing such measures, explain why you think the program has significant value, and describe how a particular aspect of the program could potentially be adapted for use by a wide range of businesses.
3. Most communities in Central New York have been fortunate to have comprehensive recycling programs at their curbside available at a low cost as a part of their trash removal services. However, many communities in the U.S. still have no recycling programs, or they have inconvenient recycling options that require residents to drop off pre-sorted materials at a transfer station. As the value of recyclables continue to fluctuate in a competitive global market the costs to support infrastructure for curbside programs, with comingled commodities, will fluctuate. What arguments would you make to convince residents that curbside recycling programs are worthwhile, even if there is an associated cost?
4. What do you see as the next most influential social, political or natural activity that will impact how we live in the future? How will engineering and sciences be used to improve or manage the impact, and what role do you see yourself playing in the process?

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**Certification and Release Authorization**

The following information must be completed in order for the applicant to be considered for the scholarship award.

*I certify that this information is true, complete, and accurate. I also authorize the release of this information to confirm and/or verify this application.*

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** Parent or Guardian signature is required if the applicant is less than 18 years old.

**Checklist**

For a submission to be considered for an award, it must be complete. The following items are ALL required.

1. Completed and signed application, typed or neatly printed. All blanks must be filled in. Attach to the completed application the following:
  - a. Essay.
  - b. School transcript (copies *are* acceptable but must be legible and are subject to verification).
  - c. A minimum of two letters of recommendation; one must be from a teacher/professor, the other(s) may be from someone not related to the applicant.

**Application materials must be post marked or received via email by February 28, 2023.**

Mail completed application forms to: AWMA Scholarship Program  
c/o Kyle Williams  
443 Electronics Parkway  
Liverpool, NY 13088

Electronic submittals may be made to: Kyle Williams  
[kwilliams@bartonandloguidice.com](mailto:kwilliams@bartonandloguidice.com)