



RICK VECELLIO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Rick Vecellio Memorial Scholarship is made available by the Vecellio Family Foundation, Inc., of Beckley. The Foundation will annually award, to a selected graduating high school senior, a scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 per year for a period of four years, to a school of the recipient's choice, in pursuit of the education field the recipient desires to enter. The Scholarship recipient will be announced at Youth Environmental Day, at North Bend State Park, the third Saturday in May.

CRITERIA

To qualify for the scholarship, the applicant must :

1. Be a graduating senior of a high school in West Virginia.
2. Be a member of the West Virginia Youth Environmental Program for at least one year.
3. Be involved in some phase of environmental activity.
4. Have maintained exemplary conduct throughout the school years.
5. Include three letters of recommendation with his/her application; one from each of the following:
 - a. The applicant's club leader, setting forth the applicant's involvement in environmental activities, leadership skills and conduct.
 - b. The applicant's high school principal, setting forth the applicant's involvement in school activities, leadership and conduct.
 - c. A third person chosen by the applicant, setting forth the applicant's involvement in the community (church, scouting, government, etc.), leadership skills, conduct.
6. The applicant must include a brief statement of at least 300 words, but not to exceed 500 words, of his or her personal goals and how the scholarship would be put to use if awarded.
7. Applications must include the applicant's college entrance examination scores, either SAT or ACT or both.
8. High school transcripts are not required but will be helpful.

REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTINUING THE SCHOLARSHIP

1. The student must maintain passing grades.
2. The student must display good conduct.

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Youth Environmental Program will coordinate a Selection Committee of diverse backgrounds with at least one member from the field of education. The committee will review the submitted applications and choose the one person whose skills and conduct most clearly reflect the goals of the Youth Environmental Program.

SUBMISSION AND DEADLINE

All applications and required information should be typed, if possible. Mail postmarked by March 15 or deliver to:

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