

## 2012 Colorado NWTF Scholarship Program

1. To entice more graduating seniors to apply for the NWTF scholarship, increase the amount awarded to local chapter winners from \$250 to \$500 (additional \$1000 award to the state winner).
2. All applicants MUST follow the rules and guidelines published by Nationals; no exceptions. A full list of the requirements can be found [HERE](#).
  - a. All local chapters should open and review the applications to ensure completeness and compliance with the rules prior to forwarding to the scholarship chair.
  - b. Incomplete applications will not be considered for local or state awards.
3. All local chapters MUST forward their choice for their local winner, and any others for consideration to the scholarship chair by or before the required date for scholarship consideration.
4. Awards for scholarship applications submitted late will be at the discretion of the scholarship chair and/or the state chapter president. This applies to both local and state scholarship awards.
5. Multiple local winners (\$500/ea) may be awarded at the discretion of the scholarship chair and/or the state chapter president.
6. Local chapters are NOT to notify local winners until approved by the scholarship chair and/or the state chapter president.
  - a. If this occurs and the scholarship chair and/or state president determine the applicant was not eligible, the local chapter will be responsible for covering the cost of the award (\$500); no state funding will be made available.
7. The State Board will use email and the [state website](#) to communicate important dates and other information regarding scholarships.

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# National Wild Turkey Federation Scholarship Program

## 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 (Xtreme JAKES, student or regular 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 January 1. 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.

### Selection Process:

1. High schools/students will submit applicant names and qualifications on an official NWTF scholarship application, along with required attachments, to the local chapter by **January 1**.
2. Local chapters will forward winners to the state chapter president by **February 1**.
3. State officers will forward state winners to the NWTF headquarters by **March 1**, where the NWTF Scholarship Committee will select the National winner.
5. Winners may not be notified until their high school awards banquet, as many chapters like to surprise students.
6. The national winner will be asked to attend the National Convention for the following year to be recognized at the JAKES breakfast.

### Scholarship Levels:

Most Local Scholarship Winners will receive a minimum of \$250.

Most State/Provincial Scholarship Winners will receive a minimum of \$1,000.

The National Scholarship Winner will receive up to \$10,000.

### 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 and the college financial aid officer in determining the payee when the check is issued. This will ensure the greatest benefit to the recipient and avoid violation of eligibility requirements. This is a one-time award for one year.