

**NORTH DAKOTA RURAL WATER SYSTEMS ASSOCIATION
PATRICK DENNE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

ELIGIBILITY:

Scholarships will be awarded to area high school or college students who receive water service, or whose parents have service with and pay bill directly to, a member rural water system provider*.

Or

To students who are enrolled in or plan to enroll in an approved post secondary water technology course.

Applicants must attend or plan to attend an accredited college, university, vocational school or other post secondary institution. Proof of enrollment will be required prior to issuance of funds. Applicants will be considered without regard to age, color, gender, race, creed, or country of origin.

**Qualifying persons do not include those residents whose 'community' receives rural water. The actual payment must be made to a rural water system directly.*

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

The applicant must submit the following:

- Official application form
- Transcript of past 2 years of high school education and/or college education
- Paragraph summarizing career goals
- List of extracurricular activities (dating back to Jr. year in High School)
- A brief essay on how rural water has improved your quality of life **or** what you hope to accomplish in the water industry.

TIME SCHEDULE:

Completed applications for the Patrick Denne Memorial Scholarship must be received no later than January 31, 2012. The full amount of the scholarship will be paid upon submittal of proof of admittance in an accredited institution of higher learning.

SUPPORT PROVIDED:

Four (4) individual one-time **\$500** scholarships will be awarded to be used to defray the costs of tuition, books, room, and board at an accredited institution of higher learning approved by the North Dakota Rural Water Systems Association.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

A selection committee will evaluate the applicants and select the scholarship recipient based on academic performance, career goals, extracurricular activities, leadership, financial need, and essay.

CONTACT PERSON:

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Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **Email address:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Major or course of study: _____ **Name of school you will attend:** _____

Name of rural water system _____

Customer's name _____ **Relationship to applicant** _____

ACADEMIC RECORD

Attach a copy of applicant's past 2 years of high school and/or college transcripts.

CAREER GOALS

Attach a brief paragraph summarizing your career goals.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Attach a list of extracurricular activities including academic, athletic, social, community service, etc. Include a list of current and/or past employment.

APPLICANT'S ESSAY

Write a brief essay (400-500 words) on how rural water has improved your quality of life **or** what you hope to accomplish in the water industry.

FINANCIAL NEED

Please describe any unusual circumstances or financial hardship that affects your need for financial assistance _____

CERTIFICATION

I hereby verify that the statements and information disclosed in this application are true and accurate, and been provided in good faith. I intend to continue my education during this school year and promise to use all scholarship funds provided by the NDRWSA to defray the cost of my education.

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please submit a complete application including all required attachments by January 31, 2012 to:

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