North Dakota Rural Water Systems Association
Patrick Denne Memorial Scholarship Application

Who should apply?
✓ Child or grandchild of a current city/rural water system employee or elected city/rural water system official (water system must be a current member of ND Rural Water Systems Association).
OR
✓ Must be enrolled or planning to enroll in Bismarck State College’s Water and Wastewater Technology program. Student must have (a) successfully completed at least two Water and Wastewater technology courses within the program and earned a 2.5 grade point average (GPA) over the term; and (b) carry a minimum of 12 credit hours in the semester they are seeking a scholarship.

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/leadership activities
✓ A brief essay (400-500 words) on the importance of the water industry

Support Provided
Up to $8,500 will be awarded to be used to defray the costs of tuition, books, room and board.

Application Deadline/Award Requirements
Completed applications for the Patrick Denne Memorial Scholarship must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2020. The full amount of the scholarship will be paid upon verification of admittance to an accredited institution of higher learning or transcript indicating Water & Wastewater Technology program requirements.

Selection Criteria
A selection committee will evaluate the applicants and select the scholarship recipients based on career goals, leadership activities, financial need, and an essay. Applicants will be considered without regard to age, color, gender, race, creed or country of origin. Preference will be given to North Dakota residents.

Contact/Questions
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Application

Name: 
Phone: 
Address: Email Address: 
City: State: Zip Code: 
Major or course of study: Name of School you will attend: 
Name of city/rural water system: 
Employee/elected official name: Relationship to applicant: 
If employed, is your employer paying for any cost of your education? Yes or No If yes, please explain: 

Official Transcript
Transcript of past 2 years of high school education and/or college education.

Career Goals
Attach a brief paragraph summarizing your career goals.

Extracurricular Activities
Attach a list of extracurricular activities including academic, athletic, volunteer hours, community service, etc.

Applicant’s Essay
Write a brief essay (400-500 words) on the importance of the water industry.

Financial Need
Please describe any unusual circumstances or financial hardships 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 March 31, 2020 to:

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