ELIGIBILITY
The North Dakota Rural Water Systems Association (NDRWSA) will award Patrick Denne Memorial Scholarships to area high school or college students who receive water service, or whose parents have service with and pay their bill directly to, a member rural water system provider. (Qualifying persons do not include those residents whose community receives rural water. The actual payment must be made to a rural water system directly.)

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.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
The applicant must submit the following:
• Official application form (call the NDRWSA office at 701-258-9249 to get an application)
• Transcript of past two years of high school education and/or college education
• Paragraph summarizing career goals
• List of extracurricular activities (dating back to the junior 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 Jan. 31, 2014. The full amount of the scholarship will be paid upon submittal of proof of admittance in an accredited institution of higher learning.

SUPPORT PROVIDED
Six 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 NDRWSA.

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 the essay.

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NORTH DAKOTA RURAL WATER SYSTEMS ASSOCIATION
PATRICK DENNE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name:__________________________________________________ Phone:___________________________

Address:___________________________________ E-mail 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 two 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 __________________________________________________________

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CERTIFICATION
I hereby verify that the statements and information disclosed in this application are true and accurate,
and have 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 completed application including all required attachments by Jan. 31, 2014 to:

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