



## WHITETAILS UNLIMITED – DELAWARE CHAPTER Scholarship Application

Founded in 1982, Whitetails Unlimited is a national nonprofit conservation organization that has remained true to its mission and made great strides in the field of conservation. We have gained the reputation of being the nation's premier organization, dedicating our resources to the betterment of white-tailed deer and their environment. Whitetails Unlimited mission is to raise funds in support of:

- (1) Educational programs
- (2) Wildlife habitat enhancement and acquisitions
- (3) Preservation of the hunting tradition and shooting sports for future generations

In keeping with our mission, the Whitetails Unlimited – Delaware Chapter is offering two (2) \$2,500 scholarships to Delaware high school graduating seniors.

Eligibility of applicants:

- 1) Be a senior graduating from a Delaware high school.
- 2) Graduate with a 3.0 or higher GPA, based on the 4.0 grading scale, or equivalent based on their school's grading system.
- 3) Pursue a college major related to our mission mandate. Examples of related fields are, but are not limited to, Wildlife Biology, Wildlife Conservation, Wildlife Management, Forestry, Forestry Conservation, Forest Resource Management, Fisheries and Wildlife Management, Natural Resources, or becoming a Wildlife Conservation Officer.
- 4) Be involved in school and community activities.
- 5) Demonstrate their ability as a leader among their school's peers.
- 6) Demonstrate their community involvement leadership skills.
- 7) Submit an essay. (Reference 'Part IV: Essay' listed on the application form)
- 8) Submit a completed application, with references, by March 31st.
- 9) Submit two (2) letters of recommendation, one from a senior-year teacher and one from their Guidance Counselor, Vice-Principal, or Principal. (Additional recommendations from club, community, or church activity leaders are welcome.)

Selection Process:

- 1) Applicants shall submit a completed application, along with their essay and references, to the Whitetails Unlimited - Delaware Chapter Scholarship Committee. (See address listed below)
- 2) Two (2) applicants will be selected to receive the \$2,500 scholarships.
- 3) Scholarship recipients will be notified at their high school awards banquet/ceremony.

Disbursement of funds:

- 1) Each recipient will be awarded a \$2,500 scholarship for their college expenses.
- 2) Payment will be mailed to the recipient's address after we, Whitetails Unlimited – Delaware Chapter's Scholarship Committee, have received a copy of the applicant's fall college schedule.
  - \* The recipient's schedule must be mailed to the same address as the application.

Instructions:

- 1) Complete the application below. Ensure the application is complete and includes all requested information along with your essay.
- 2) The applicant and their Guidance Counselor must sign the application.
- 3) Return the application to the address listed below no later than March 31<sup>st</sup>:

Whitetails Unlimited – Delaware Chapter, Scholarship Committee  
C/O Patricia Utley  
784 Steeles Ridge Road  
Camden-Wyoming, Delaware 19934

**Part I: Applicant information**

Applicants Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicants Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent/Guardian who you reside with: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II: High school information, college preference & major**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Awards Ceremony Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Awards Ceremony: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

College Preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

(Major should be related to the Whitetails Unlimited mission mandate. Examples of related fields are, but are not limited to, Wildlife Biology, Wildlife Conservation, Wildlife Management, Forestry, Forestry Conservation, Forest Resource Management, Fisheries and Wildlife Management, Natural Resources, or becoming a Wildlife Conservation Officer.)

**Part III: Extra-Curricular Activities** (If more space is needed, “Part III: Extra-Curricular Activities” outlining school, community, club, church, and other activities and your leadership involvement in these activities, may be submitted separately, provided it is typewritten, double-spaced, and submitted with the completed Application and Essay.)

List memberships and positions held in school-related activities/organizations:

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

List activities that demonstrate community leadership and involvement:

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

List awards received for school, club, church, and community activities:

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

**Part IV: Essay**

The essay must be typewritten, double-spaced, and not exceed two (2) pages.

Share an outdoor experience that significantly impacted your life and will help you succeed in your chosen field of study.

**Part V: Letters-of-Recommendation**

Letters-of-Recommendation should include the following information:

- Letter-of-Recommendation must reference the applicant’s name
- The organization’s name. The name, address, phone number, email address, and the organizational position held by the person making the recommendation. Any additional information they would like to share about themselves, their relationship to the applicant, and information about their organization.
- Association to the applicant: E.g., 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Biology Teacher, 12<sup>th</sup> Grade FFA Teacher, Guidance Counselor, Principal, 4-H Club Leader, Boy/Girl Scout Troop Leader, Pastor, and Church Leader.
- Provide information about the applicant’s role and involvement in the school activity, community service, club, or church group and their character and leadership qualities related to the specified activity.

**Part VI: Applicant’s graduation statistics and Guidance Counselor Signature**

(To be completed by the applicant’s Guidance Counselor)

Guidance Counselor’s Name \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor’s Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor’s E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Current Cumulative Grade Point Average \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant’s rank in graduation class: \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Guidance Counselor \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Part VII: Applicant’s signature**

By signing this form, I grant Whitetails Unlimited and Whitetails Unlimited – Delaware Chapter the use of my name, photographs, and essay, which may be used with press releases, Facebook, or other publications. I certify that I meet the eligibility requirements for this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_