

COASTAL BAYS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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What is it?

- ✔ Three \$1,000 scholarships
- ✔ Open to Worcester County Public School graduating seniors
- ✔ Seniors pursuing an environmental degree or career

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Maryland Coastal Bays Program Scholarship Guidelines



DEADLINE: April 4, 2025

The Maryland Coastal Bays Program (MCBP), a 501(c)(3) non-profit and National Estuary Program, works to enhance the ecological values and resiliency of the Coastal Bays, their watersheds, and their communities through conservation and public engagement.

MCBP will be offering three scholarships valued at \$1,000 each to qualifying high school seniors from Worcester County Public Schools interested in pursuing a future in the environmental field.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be pursuing a 4-year or 2-year college or university, trade school, or Corps position in the environmental field, including, but not limited to: environmental studies, environmental science, biology, marine science, forestry, soil sciences, environmental and outdoor education, renewable energy, computer science, smart technology, Geographic Information Systems, earth science, environmental literacy, restoration, ecology, or a related field.
- Applicants must be a student of Worcester County Public Schools.
- Applicants must be graduating from high school in Spring 2025.
- Financial need will not be considered.
- The scholarship money will be disseminated through Worcester County Public Schools.

Application:

- Applications must be emailed to Liz Wist, MCBP Education Coordinator, at lwist@mdcoastalbays.org by 11:59 pm on Friday, April 4, 2025. If you need to mail your transcripts, please send to: Liz Wist, 8219 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin, MD 21811.
 - Please include "Coastal Bays Scholarship Application" in the subject line.
 - Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
 - The essay portion must be typed, but the general information may be hand written (needs to be legible).
 - **Please include one letter of recommendation** from a teacher, community member, or environmental professional that is familiar with your work ethic.
 - **Please include your resume outlining your leadership, work, and volunteer experience.**
 - Applications must include a copy of acceptance into a college or university, community college, trade school, or Corps program (AmeriCorps, Conservations Corps, etc).
 - Official transcripts from applicants school.
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Funding for this scholarship program is provided by the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law through the Environmental Protection Agency.

All applicants will be considered without attention to race, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, veteran status, genetic information, or any other basis prohibited by law.

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Check List:

- Resume
- Transcripts
- Filled out Application
- Essay
- Letter of Recommendation

Note: All requested information must be completed for an application to be considered. If requested information does not apply to you, please write N/A.

General Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip Code:_____

Phone Number:_____ Email:_____

What high school do you currently attend? _____

Guardian Name:_____

Guardian Address: _____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip Code:_____

Guardian Phone Number:_____

Guardian Email:_____

What college/university/trade school/Corps are you planning on attending/enrolling in after graduation?

What field(s) do you plan to pursue? _____

As a part of your application, please answer the following questions separately. Each response should be approximately one page.

1. Please share how you came to want to pursue the environmental field and how it has had an impact on your life.
1. Describe an environmental issues that you are passionate about or one that has had a personal impact on you.