

Area VI Education Committee: Mr. Koenig, Mr. Kokesch, Mr. Roiger.

The committee proposes to offer two scholarships; one for \$1000 and one for \$500. High-school seniors in the Area VI region are eligible. The Area VI region is made up of the following eleven counties: Blue Earth, Brown, Faribault, Le Sueur, Martin, McLeod, Nicollet, Renville, Sibley, Waseca, and Watonwan.

- I. Eligibility:  
High school seniors residing in any of the eleven counties of AREA VI. (During the 2018-19 school year). A natural resources career objective, or a sincere interest thereof, is required.
  
- II. Criteria:
  1. Career interest in natural resources, or related field.
  2. Documented conservation activities.
  3. A 2.5 grade-point average through high school, minimum.
  4. Good character, as verified by the local principal, counselor, or FFA advisor.
  5. Extra-curricular and community involvement.
  6. An essay or dissertation of 1200 word maximum, in 12-font form. The essay topic shall be: "Pollinators, and their importance in sustaining life on earth."
  7. Applications are due no later than April 15, 2019. Applications should be submitted to the county SWCD office that the applicant resides in.
  8. Recipients must actually attend college to receive scholarship funds; also maintain a 2.5 GPA minimum. This shall be verified by the recipients submitting a copy of their first semester grades to the scholarship committee. Funds shall be distributed immediately after verification is made.
  9. Recipients shall be expected to attend an AREA VI meeting and read their essay to the assembled delegates.

Any questions relating to the scholarship should be addressed to Mark Koenig, 320-510-2976.