

Scholarship Application Form Instructions

1. This document is to affirm the establishment of the Suffolk-Nansemond Chapter, Izaak Walton League of America, Inc. (IWLA) Scholarship. The Chapter's objective is to assist in the education of a student's career in areas related to the goals of the IWLA, dedicated to the protection and restoration of America's *soil, air, woods, waters and wildlife*.
2. The establishment of the fund was initiated by W. E. Ashley with a donation from Conelia Spivey in loving memory of her husband Vernon Spivey, a long time supporter of the IWLA ideals and objectives.
3. The following criteria shall be met to determine eligibility of an Applicant to receive the Scholarship.
 - a. It is preferred that the student be a resident of Suffolk, VA or an area represented by the Chapter.
 - b. The student must have maintained a good academic standing and have been accepted into or currently attending an accredited college, university or technical school, pursuing an appropriate course of study. Appropriate courses for student therefore must stress subjects related to conservation and the environment.
 - c. It is preferred that the student has been active in environmental and conservation concerns; i.e. 4H, BSA, GSA, Save the Bay, Ducks Unlimited, Enviro Club, etc.
 - d. The student shall be strong in traits which amplify high moral character, such as honesty, reliability, perseverance, self-control, courage and the concern for others and the environment.
 - e. *It is understood that if the recipient should voluntarily discontinue his or her studies or be dismissed for any reason before the end of the first school year, the parents/or guardian and the student agree to reimburse the total grant to the Suffolk-Nansemond Chapter IWLA. The Scholarship Committee may waive reimbursement if it determines that circumstances warrant it.*
 - f. Additional scholarships may be applied for allowing the same student to be the recipient in consecutive years.
 - g. Financial need is not the sole consideration for awarding this grant.
4. Application Submission Requirements (an incomplete application will be considered invalid)
It is preferred that you enter data directly into this PDF form and save/email it to our chapter mailbox shown below, however, you can print a blank form and fill it in with a pen non-cursively and submit it to our PO box instead.
 - a. Application form Sheet#1 – Personal Contact Information.
 - b. Application form Sheet#2—Honors and Extracurricular activities, Work History, and Career Plans.
 - c. Application form Sheet#3—Essay Why I want this scholarship and what the environment and conservation means to me.
 - d. Student's current grade transcript.
 - e. Two letters of reference (preferably emails to our chapter mailbox, but hard copy letters to our PO box will suffice) from persons unrelated to the student who can speak of the student's character, leadership, and academic ability. One of these must be from a guidance counselor or teacher.
5. **Deadline**
For email submissions, requirement is that they must be sent to our chapter mailbox info@sniwla.org by April 1st. For hardcopy submissions, requirement is that they must be postmarked by April 1st to this address:

Att: Scholarship Committee Chairman
Suffolk-Nansemond Chapter IWLA
P. O. Box 351
Suffolk, VA 23439

The scholarship committee will review all applications and make the selection(s) by May 1st. Presentation to recipient(s) will be made at the June, or July IWLA Chapter meeting. If you have questions please contact the Scholarship committee chairman, for more information see <http://www.sniwla.org/sniwla/scholarships>.