



# Naval Weather Service Association

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR STUDENTS APPLYING FOR A NAVAL WEATHER SERVICE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

### **Background**

**NAVAL WEATHER SERVICE ASSOCIATION:** During the 1960's, senior Aerographer's Mates assigned to ships and shore stations in Virginia's Tidewater area originated the idea of an association of retired and active duty Navy and Marine Corps weather personnel. This idea evolved into the establishment of a non-profit organization called the Naval Weather Service Association (NWSA) in 1975. The purpose of this association is a) to help Navy and Marine Corps people who have worked in the fields of meteorology and oceanography keep in contact with one another after retirement and b) to help members remain aware of current developments in the above fields and events in today's ever-changing Navy. These goals are furthered through an annual reunion held at different locations within the United States.

**NWSA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:** It was suggested in 1978 during an annual NWSA business meeting in Norfolk, VA that a Scholarship Program be established to assist dependents of members. In 1979 the Scholarship Program was formalized and eligibility was expanded. The NWSA Scholarship Fund has gained sufficient popularity and support to permit consistent monetary awards to qualified students. A three-person Scholarship Committee administers the program and reports to the NWSA membership.

**NWSA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:** NWSA offers several annual scholarship grants, ranging from \$1000 to \$3000. The amount and number of awards may vary each year. The program's purpose is to assist students who plan a career in the fields of Meteorology, Oceanography or Aerospace Engineering. Selection and Award levels are determined on a basis of proven scholastic ability. Financial need may also be used in selection process. Applicants are asked to explain how their choice of a degree program relates to their career objective in their chosen field (see PART III - ACHIEVEMENTS AND GOALS in the application form).

### **Eligibility requirements:**

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens or hold permanent resident status.
- Applicants must be entering college or currently enrolled in the year they apply for assistance.
- Applicants must plan to pursue a degree in the atmospheric or related oceanic sciences or aerospace engineering.
- Applicants must be full time students.

### **Application Requirements:**

#### **Graduating High School Seniors**

- A completed and signed application for the NWSA Scholarship Program
- A seven-semester transcript (or eight-semester transcript if graduated) of grades.
- Copies of standardized test scores such as ACT or SAT.
- A Letter of recommendation from high school teacher or counselor familiar with the applicant's potential for academic success.
- Additional documents required on the application form and those which the applicant deems important for consideration.

## Undergraduate Students

- A completed and signed application for the NWSA Scholarship Program
- Freshmen must include their eight-semester high school transcript and available college transcripts.
- Sophomores and juniors are not required to submit high school transcripts, but must submit available college transcripts.
- Additional documents required on the application form and any document which the applicant deems important for consideration.

All Applicants are encourage to comment on the following areas in their essay or goals statements

- Commitment to a career in Meteorology, Oceanography or Aerospace Engineering.
- Your academic record as an indicator of your potential to complete your chosen major.
- Leadership Skills.
- Diverse interests and community involvement.
- Financial need

**TERMS.** The NWSA Scholarship Award may be used by the Awardees to pay for any expenses incurred at college, including tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment or any other expenses necessary to complete the required education.

**APPLICATIONS.** Applications for the NWSA Scholarship Program should be obtained from the Association's web site at: [http://www.navalweather.org/NWSA\\_Scholarships.htm](http://www.navalweather.org/NWSA_Scholarships.htm), your high school counselor, from a member of the NWSA scholarship committee, the Sec/Treasurer. Applicants are encouraged to contact the nearest NWSA chapter to learn more about the scholarship application process [http://www.navalweather.org/NWSA\\_Chapter\\_Regional.htm](http://www.navalweather.org/NWSA_Chapter_Regional.htm).

### 2009/2010 Committee Members

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## APPLICATION FOR NAVAL WEATHER SERVICE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD 2010/2011

Date:

Applicant:

Last Name

First

Middle

**PRIVACY STATEMENT.** The purpose of this application is to provide the means by which a student can apply for a scholarship award through the Naval Weather Service Association's Scholarship Program. Information provided will be used to assess scholastic achievement and to evaluate the need for financial assistance. Completion of this form is mandatory. Failure to provide requested information may result in delay in processing the application or disqualification from participation in the Award Program. This information will only be used for the purpose of evaluating your application, and it will not be disclosed to any third party.

**TERMS.** The scholarship award money may be used by awardees to pay for any expenses incurred at college, including tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment or any other expenses necessary to complete the education required.

### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. To be considered the entries on this application form must be complete, accurate, and legible. They should be typewritten or printed in black ink.
2. Instructions for each question are printed with the question. Read all instructions carefully before answering.
3. Early in the application process, request all high-school and college (if applicable) transcripts be sent to NWSA Secretary. Include standardized test scores such as ACT or SAT with your application.
4. Sign and date the application form and ensure that it is also signed by your responsible parent, step parent or guardian (if applicant is under the age of 18).
5. To expedite the committee review process, applicants should submit all documents electronically followed by signed originals via mail. Submit to: [nwsasectreas@panhandle.rr.com](mailto:nwsasectreas@panhandle.rr.com) and [nwsascholarships@navalweather.org](mailto:nwsascholarships@navalweather.org). Max file size is 5mb.
6. Applications should be submitted after 1 Jan 2010. The deadline for receipt of completed application and transcript(s) by the Secretary/Treasurer is 15 April of the year in which you apply. Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline may be penalized or not considered by the committee.
7. Mail original signed application and required documents to:

Libby O'Brien  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Naval Weather Service Association  
515 Ashley Road  
Cantonment FL 32533-5610  
Telephone Number: (850) 968-0552  
Email: [nwsasectreas@panhandle.rr.com](mailto:nwsasectreas@panhandle.rr.com)



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## APPLICATION FOR 2010/2011 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Date:

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

1. Name: (last, first middle):

2. Address:

3. Telephone:

4. Email address:

5. Are you a U.S. citizen?

6. If not, do you hold a current permanent visa?

**Note: If you answer NO to both questions 5 and 6, you are not eligible to apply.**

### PART I – EDUCATION- Graduating Seniors

1. High Schools Attended:


(Name and Address)	(From)	(To)
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2. Date Transcript Requested:

3. Current cumulative GPA:

4. SAT Scores

Math:	Writing	Critical Reading:
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Note: If you did not take the SAT, submit scores from similar national scholastic tests (ACT, etc)

5. List Science and Mathematics classes completed in High School:

6. University/Colleges to which I have applied:

Name	Accepted/Pending	Offers Degree in planned Major (y/n)	Annual Tuition and Fees (Est.)

7. College that I am most likely to attend:

**Note: If you change colleges prior to matriculation, you must notify The Chairman of the NWSA Scholarship committee immediately.**

8. The school I hope to attend has accepted me as an ROTC Scholarship Student. Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

9. I will be pursuing a degree/s in the following fields of study:

Major:
Minor:

**PART 1A-Education - Undergraduate Applicants**

**Note: Undergraduate applicants must provide current university/college transcripts. Freshman/Sophomore applicants must include high school transcripts.**

1. Undergraduate Cumulative GPA (based on at least 2 semesters or quarters):

2. I have or will declare the following major/minor courses of study:

Major:
Minor:

**PART II - FINANCES**

<b>Available Resources</b>		<b>Educational Expenses</b>	
Total Family Contribution		Tuition	
Total Scholarships/Grants		Books and Fees	
Other income, gifts and awards		Room and Board	
Total:		Total	

**I certify that the above information is correct.**

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:

DATE:

**PART III - ACHIEVEMENTS AND GOALS**

**ACHIEVEMENTS: MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION.** Using the space provided below (box will expand as you type) or as a separate document, describe your academic achievements, awards, competition teams of which you were a member, class offices held, extracurricular activities, clubs, sports in which you participated, your selection to city, state or national programs, community services, church groups, and any other activities which are indicative of your all-around abilities. **Specifically include positions of leadership.**

**GOALS. MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION.** Using the space provided below (box will expand as you type) or as a separate document describe your goals in attending college, your interests in the major you have selected and your long range career objectives. Be sure to explain how your career objectives relate to the NWSA Scholarship Program's purpose which is to assist students who plan a career in the fields of Meteorology, Oceanography or Aerospace Engineering. Statement on your goals should **not** exceed 250 words.

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Required for graduating High School Seniors. Additional letters may be submitted if relevant to academic or leadership potential. Do not enclose more than **three** letters of recommendation. Attach signed letters as .pdf files.

**CONTACT WITH NWSA CHAPTER-Optional but highly recommended**

Applicants are encouraged to make contact with the closest NWSA chapter to discuss their application and scholarship program. Provide the name and contact information of any NWSA member with whom you have discussed your application.

[http://www.navalweather.org/NWSA\\_Chapter\\_Regional.htm](http://www.navalweather.org/NWSA_Chapter_Regional.htm)

NWSA Point of Contact:

**PART IV - SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES (OPTIONAL).**

The parents, counselor, teacher, principal, or applicant, may comment briefly in the space below on any special circumstances, financial or otherwise, that they wish to bring to the attention of the NWSA Scholarship Committee. Not to exceed 200 words.

**PART V - CHECK LIST AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE CERTIFICATION**

**CHECK LIST TO BE COMPLETED BY BOTH APPLICANT AND COMMITTEE MEMBER**

CHECKLIST	APPLICANT INITIALS	COMMITTEE INITIALS
Application form is complete and correct		
Major Course of study is listed on NWSA lists		
All financial information has been entered		
All required transcripts, GPA's and national test scores (SAT/ACT) have been provided		
Letter of Recommendation from High School Teacher/Counselor provided (H.S. Senior only)		
Application has been signed and dated		
Application and all documents received before deadline	N/A	

**NWSA Member Endorsement (Optional)**

Chapter:
NWSA Member:
Address:
Email address
Telephone:
Comment/Endorsement