



**In an essay (500-800 words):** Please describe your outdoor experiences and the importance of conservation efforts to you, your family, and our community as a whole.

**Your Scholarship Essay will be graded as follows:**

1. Knowledge & experiences – 45%
2. Depth of content and understanding of conservation principles – 45%
3. Grammar, punctuation, and spelling – 10%

Please write your essay using Microsoft Word. The recommended type font is Times New Roman 12 – point size. It may be acceptable to use other typefaces, such as Calibri 11, as long as your essay is easy to read and professional in appearance.

**References:** Enclose a letter of reference from a teacher/counselor or conservationist with whom you have worked. Please return the completed application, essay and a letter of reference postmarked no later than April 1, 2020: Mail to:

**SPORTSMAN'S CHAPTER IWLA  
% SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE  
5018 ONION RD.  
PYLESVILLE, MD 21132**

**Amount and Deadline:** \$1000 (1 Award) – April 1, 2020

**Scholarship Eligibility:** To be eligible for the IWLA Sportsman's Chapter conservation scholarship you must be currently in Grade 12 and planning on entering into your first year of college/university in 2020, or be currently in your first or second year of college/university. Applicant must be a Harford County, Maryland resident. An applicant is also eligible if an active member/dependent of an active member of the IWLA Sportsman's Chapter residing outside of Harford County, Maryland. Application materials must be submitted by the April 1, 2020 deadline.

**Scholarship Award Selection:** The winner will be selected and notified on or before May 1, 2020. The award will be presented at our May 6, 2020 meeting.

**Sportsman's Chapter**  
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