



## WEST INTERLAKE WATERSHED DISTRICT

### WIWD \$750.00 Scholarship Application Form

#### ESSAY SUBJECT:

**"Adapting for Tomorrow: Innovative Climate Change Adaptation Strategies for the West Interlake Watershed District"**

#### In the Essay:

- ✓ Propose practical and creative strategies or programs to help the West Interlake Watershed District (WIWD) adapt to the effects of climate change.
- ✓ Identify specific environmental challenges in the region (e.g., flooding, drought, soil degradation, habitat loss) and how your proposal addresses them.
- ✓ Discuss the short- and long-term benefits of your proposed adaptation strategy.
- ✓ Describe how your program will build resilience in the watershed and benefit local communities, landowners, and ecosystems.
- ✓ Ensure your program aligns with WIWD's mission and values: improving water quality and quantity, promoting soil health, enhancing watershed resilience, and supporting climate adaptation and mitigation.
- ✓ Reflect on your personal connection to the region and your motivation for advancing climate change adaptation within your local watershed.

#### FORMAT:

3–5 pages, double spaced, Times New Roman, 12pt. No citations required.

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#### **EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

- **Creativity:** Originality and innovation of proposed adaptation strategies.
  - **Feasibility:** Practicality and realistic potential for implementation.
  - **Alignment with WIWD's Mission:** Relevance to watershed conservation and climate adaptation goals.
  - **Impact:** Potential benefits for the local environment, landowners, and communities.
  - **Personal Reflection:** Depth of personal commitment to climate resilience and conservation.
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**Submission Deadline: June 12, 2025**

Once completed, please email this application form along with your essay to **manager@wiwd.ca**.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact us at **204.762.5850**.

**Two \$750.00 scholarships will be awarded.**



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### Student information:

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

Which high school do you currently attend? \_\_\_\_\_

Legal land description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Eligibility

I confirm that I am a graduating grade 12 student and residing within the West Interlake Watershed District boundaries.

To verify your residency within the district, you can check our interactive map here  
<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/90713dfec03b47d6a754628191cbeb4a/page/Page>

To view the watershed district boundaries, follow these steps:

- 1) Under "Layer List", check "Water"
- 2) Then, check "Watershed Subdistricts" and "Watershed Districts" to display the boundaries.

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