



Emerald Isle Fishing Tournament Scholarship: 2025 Application

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The Board of Directors and sponsors of the Annual Emerald Isle Fishing Tournament invite applications for the 2025 Emerald Isle Tournament Scholarship. Graduating seniors from Swansboro, Croatan and East and West Carteret high schools may apply. Applicants must have been accepted by an accredited 2-year Community or Technical College or a 4-year College or University. They must have an interest in some aspect of Marine or Coastal Science or Engineering, or in Environmental Science, Policy, or Sustainability. The Board is hopeful that successful scholarship recipients might return to Eastern/Coastal North Carolina to pursue their post-graduate career.

The award: \$3000 paid directly to the recipient's college or university. For 2025 there may be as many as six scholarships awarded (\$18,000).

Eligibility: Any graduating senior from these local high schools with an interest in a marine or environmentally related career, except children of members of the Tournament Organizing Committee.

Applications and supporting documents must be turned in to Mrs. Nicole Rains (Swansboro), Ms Karen Davis (Croatan), Ms. Pam Roberson (East), or Ms. Melissa Smith (West) no later than Friday March 28, 2025.

In addition to this application form, applicants must submit a **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** from a teacher or guidance counselor, as well as a copy of their high school **ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT**.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Personal email** _____

High School: _____

Have your High School Counselor complete this section.

Student's GPA _____

Number in Graduating Class _____

Class Rank _____

SAT/ACT Score (circle which) _____

Counselor's Name (Printed) _____

Counselor's Signature _____

Date _____

What college or university do you plan to attend?

What are your educational and career goals?

What special awards or honors have you received (e.g., Eagle Scout) _____

Please respond in your own words to **EACH** of the following questions. Write in full sentences, with a maximum of 500 words for each question. (Answer on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to the rest of the application).

The news is full of commentary about the effects of climate change and other environmental impacts on the oceans and coastal states such as North Carolina.

1. What do you consider to be a major issue or problem facing the World's oceans?
2. How does the problem you identified in Question 1 impact the ecology or economy of coastal North Carolina?

Your signature _____ Date _____

Note: Scholarship winners will be notified by April 21, 2025. All recipients are invited to the monthly meeting of the Emerald Isle Board of Commissioners on Tuesday May 13, 2025 to receive their awards.