

**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA  
WATER POLLUTION  
CONTROL ASSOCIATION (WPWPCA)**

**2023 WASTEWATER OPERATOR SCHOLARSHIP  
APPLICATION**

This application is also available at our website [www.wpwpc.org](http://www.wpwpc.org)

To applicants regarding this operator scholarship application:

Please complete the following form in order that you may become a candidate for a Western Pennsylvania Water Pollution Control Association (WPWPCA) Operator Scholarship. This scholarship is to aid in your goal of becoming a PA. Certified Wastewater Operator. We ask that you be as accurate as possible knowing that any false or misleading information may disqualify you from consideration.

Please be assured that all information will be treated with the strictest confidence.

Please note that only a member of the WPWPCA are eligible to apply for this operator scholarship.

## SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

The scholarship committee is composed of members of The WPWPCA. The WPWPCA President, Executive Board members, Scholarship committee members, and their immediate family members are not eligible for the Scholarship. The committee reviews all applications turned in by the deadline. The Scholarship committee will not consider late and/or incomplete applications. If you have any questions regarding the completion of the application, please do not hesitate to contact Dennis Duryea, Committee Chairman at (724) 831-9294 or Mike Sedon, Committee Co-Chairman: at (724) 776-4806.

Each applicant is numerically "scored" based upon the following criteria:

1. Academic accomplishment.
2. Activity and involvement in school, work, and the community.
3. Essay question.
4. Proof of school registration.
5. Has the Applicant received any other Financial Aid.

The committee may interview up to five (5) applicants based on scoring on the five (5) items above. The full board of directors of the WPWPCA shall award scholarships with a maximum award of \$1,200.00 each or multiple awards for a maximum combined total value of \$2,400.00 per year among the deserving applicants. The awarded scholarships will be based on the recommendation of the scholarship committee yielded from the scoring criteria above. The WPWPCA reserves the right to not award the scholarship as warranted.

Only applicants receiving the award will be notified. Notification of award will be made subsequent to the WPWPCA October meeting of the full board of directors.

All applications shall be submitted to the WPWPCA – Dennis Duryea at: [dduryea@kvwpc.com](mailto:dduryea@kvwpc.com)

THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION TO BE RECEIVED is  
**3:00 PM, MAY 31, 2023.**

**\*PLEASE NOTE\*** Late or incomplete applications will not be considered by the committee.

THE WPWPCA 2023 WASTEWATER OPERATOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION  
(Please type or print in ink)

**1. APPLICANT IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME:

STREET ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE:

ZIP CODE:

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

EMAIL CONTACT:

DATE OF BIRTH:

EMPLOYER: POSITION:

**In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any academic endowment award.**

**Print the completed application and then sign and date below:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**2. WPWPCA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:**

Number of years as a member:

List WPWPCA Committee(s) served on during membership:

**3. APPLICANT SCHOLASTIC AND ACTIVITY INFORMATION**

Name of university, college or technical school you plan to attend:

Are you accepted?    Where is this school located?:

**\*Note: Must provide documentation proof of college/technical school registration**

List all school and community activities in which you have participated and any honors which you might have received. Use additional sheets if needed.

School Activities                      Number of Years Involved      Honors Received

Community Activities                      Number of Years Involved      Honors Received

**4. ESSAY**

Include a 100 to 300-word essay on the following topic. Please attach the essay to this application.      *What attracted you to the field of Water Treatment as a career?*

**5. REFERENCES**

Include two letters of character reference. The letter shall contain contact information for each reference. Please do not include family members as references.

**A completed application should contain the following:**

- Application typed or printed in ink
- Signed WPWPCA Operator Scholarship Application
- Phone number where applicant can be reached with any questions
- Required signature
- Two reference letters including contact information for each reference
- Required 100-300 word essay
- Proof of college/technical school registration or enrollment