

# 2026 Scholarship Program Guidelines



The Mountain Lake Vegetation Management Council (MLVMC) announces the third annual Scholarship Program. Under the Program, two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate students attending a college or university in the Mid-Atlantic region majoring in Forestry, Horticulture, Environmental Studies or related field. The Mid-Atlantic region consists of the following states: Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Tennessee.

## Program Guidelines & Priorities:

Seeking undergraduate students with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and participation in extracurricular school activities.

- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and currently enrolled in a 2- or 4-year college or technical school.
- Scholarship funds will be paid *in October 2026 for the second semester of the student's current academic year. **The scholarship will be paid directly to the college and not to the student.***
- ***MLVMC strongly suggests that each school present this opportunity to any applicants that match this program's guidelines.*** Applications should be emailed to ([mtnlakevmc@gmail.com](mailto:mtnlakevmc@gmail.com)) by ***June 30, 2026, by 5:00 p.m. (EST).***
- ***The scholarship recipients should be willing to appear at the MLVMC Annual Conference on Tuesday, September 29, 2026 located at Blacksburg, VA. The recipients will be asked to give a short 5 minute bio presentation to conference attendees.***

**\*\*Late applications will not be accepted.**

Email a completed application package to: [mtnlakevmc@gmail.com](mailto:mtnlakevmc@gmail.com)  
(This includes application, essay, resume, and copy of school transcript)

Applications may be downloaded from the MLVMC website at: <https://mtn-lake.org>

The applications will be reviewed, and recipients selected by the MLVMC's elected board members. The scholarships will be awarded in October 2026.

Please submit any questions to: [mtnlakevmc@gmail.com](mailto:mtnlakevmc@gmail.com)

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2026

PLEASE TYPE YOUR ANSWER					
1.	Last Name:		First Name:		
<b>Mailing Address</b>					
2.	Street:				
	City:		State:		Zip Code: <input type="text"/>
3.	Daytime Telephone Number:				
	Email Address:				
<b>Date of Birth</b>					
4.	Month:		Day:		Year: <input type="text"/>
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.				
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES ___ NO ___				
<b>Name and location of College/University attending:</b>					
7.					
<b>(Skip Question 9 if your attached resume or activities sheet answers question 8.)</b>					
8.	A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:				
	B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:				
	C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:				
<b>Name &amp; address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.)</b>					
9.	Name(s):				
	Street:				
	City:		State:		Zip Code: <input type="text"/>
	Home phone of parents or legal guardians:		Work Phone:		
10.	<b>On a separate sheet please write an essay (250 - 500 words) answering the</b>				

<b>questions below:</b>
Describe why you think vegetation management is important to society and why pursuing an education in VM would be beneficial.
Explain what interests you about VM and why you would be interested in pursuing a career in this field.

**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS**

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote the Mountain Lake Vegetation Management Council scholarship program. (Winner may waive photo due to unusual or compelling circumstances.)

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Mountain Lake Vegetation Management Council Scholarship policy, I must be present at any potential awards ceremony, surprise, or reception in September 2026 to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Mountain Lake Vegetation Management Council Scholarship policy, it is my responsibility to remit to the Council the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for my Fall semester.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<p>Checklist</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Application</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Essay</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resume/Activity Sheet</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> School Transcript</p> <p><b><u>EMAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO THE MLVMC AT:</u></b>  <b><u>mtnlakevmc@gmail.com</u></b></p> <p><b><u>REMINDER:</u></b>  <b>The deadline for this application to be received by the MLVMC is:</b></p> <p><b>June 30, 2026, 5:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!</b></p>
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