



## ***Air & Waste Management Association - Niagara Frontier Section*** **2024 Dave Sauer Memorial High School Scholarship**

### **Applications due April 5, 2024**

**Background:** Dave Sauer was a long-time member and historian for the Niagara Frontier Section of the Air & Waste Management Association (AWMA-NFS). As an environmental professional, Dave was active in many environmental related community events and had a strong sense of environmental stewardship. This scholarship is awarded annually to one or more high school seniors in continuing remembrance of Dave and his devotion to improving our environment.

**Eligibility:** Any high school senior, who is in good academic standing, attending a recognized high school located within the New York State counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, Niagara, or Wyoming during the 2023-2024 academic year and that will attend a recognized college or university in the 2023-2024 academic year is eligible.

**Awards:** The number and amount of the scholarship(s) will be approved by the AWMA-NFS Board of Directors. It is anticipated that one or more scholarships will be awarded in amounts ranging from approximately \$500 to \$1,000. Each scholarship is awarded for the 2024-2025 academic year only and is not renewable.

**Selection:** The AWMA-NFS Education Committee will review all completed applications submitted before midnight of the due date. Awards will be made based on academic record, leadership in school and community activities, and future academic/career potential. Application judging will not consider sex, race, religion, national origin, financial need, age, or physical disability. The ultimate awards decision will be made at the discretion of the AWMA-NFS Board of Directors based on recommendations from the AWMA-NFS Education Committee. The decisions of the AWMA-NFS Board of Directors and AWMA-NFS Education Committee on scholarship awards are final. Scholarship awards will be announced around **May 1, 2024**.

**Application:** The scholarship application must include all requested information outlined below:

- I. **Affiliation:** Reviewers will consider if the applicant is a child, relative, acquaintance or friend of an AWMA-NFS member.
- II. **Academic Record:** Reviewers will consider the high school transcripts of the applicant. The average of the applicant's overall class ranking (as a percentile of the total number of students) will be considered. The high school transcript(s) must be submitted as part of the application.
- III. **High School and Extracurricular Activities:** Reviewers will consider the applicant's participation in clubs, sports, organizations, seminars, as well as work experience. *Special consideration will be given to participation in environment-related activities or work.*



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- IV. **Community Service and Volunteer Work:** Reviewers will consider the applicant's involvement in the community and history of volunteer work. *Special consideration will be given to participation in environment-related volunteer work or community events.*
- V. **College Area of Study:** Reviewers will consider the applicant's potential area of study at college. *Special consideration will be given to study areas related to the environmental field.*
- VI. **Environmental Interest Essay:** Reviewers will consider the applicant's essay describing in 500 words or less, an environmental issue which interests the applicant, or description of an experience which the applicant had working to improve the environment (e.g., volunteer, school, or work).

**Only complete applications, including high school transcript(s), submitted no later than Friday, April 5, 2024 (midnight) will be considered.**



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**APPLICATION FORM**  
**(All information should be typed on this application)**

**Section I: General Information and Affiliation**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a child, relative, or sponsored friend of AWMA? Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, name of adult relation or sponsoring adult: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section II: Academic Record**

Current High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Major or Area of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable,

Previous High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Major or Area of Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates Attended: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_

**Transcript(s):** Enclose your high school transcript(s). Transcript(s) must be attached to the application or submitted to the email address listed at the end of this application. Please fill in your ranking below and forward verification as requested above.

Sophomore Year Final Ranking Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Year Final Ranking Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: If your school does not provide a class rank, please indicate "School does not rank"*



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**Section III: High School and Extracurricular Activities (clubs, sports, seminars, etc.)**

Organization	Involvement (e.g., officer, member)	Length of Membership (From /To)	Brief Description of Activity

If more space is required, please attach additional sheets.

**Section IV: Community Service and Volunteer Work**

Organization	Brief Description of Experience	Duration (From / To)

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**Section V: College Area of Study**

College (if known): \_\_\_\_\_  
Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section VI : Environmental Interest Essay**

Compose an essay of 500 words or less that describes an environmental issue, which interests you, or an experience you had working to improve the environment (e.g., volunteer, school, or work related). The essay must be typed. *Attach this essay to the application on a separate sheet.*

***Guidelines for Assembling Application Package***

1. Complete and submit all pages of the application form.
2. As required for Section II, attach high school transcript(s) with the application form or have the transcript(s) submitted separately by the school.
3. As applicable for Sections III and IV, attach additional sheet(s) with a summary of your school, extracurricular, community, and volunteer work activities.
4. As required for Section VI, attach a typed environmental essay on a separate sheet.
5. Submit the completed application form and all required attachments, including transcript(s) and the environmental essay, by e-mail to:

Lori Riker  
AWMA-NFS Director Education  
e-mail: [awmanfs.education@gmail.com](mailto:awmanfs.education@gmail.com)

- If you have any questions, please contact Lori Riker by e-mail.
- Additional copies of this application can be obtained from the AWMA-NFS web site at [www.awmanfs.wildapricot.org](http://www.awmanfs.wildapricot.org).

**The application form and all attachments, including school transcript(s), must be received no later than Friday, April 5, 2024 (midnight).**