



Menunkatuck Audubon Society

(A Chapter of National Audubon Society)

2018 Menunkatuck Audubon Scholarship

Award: \$1000, limited for room and board, tuition, books, other school supplies, and food.



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About our Organization:

Menunkatuck Audubon Society is the local chapter of National Audubon Society covering the towns of West Haven, New Haven, East Haven, Branford, Guilford, and Madison, Connecticut. We are committed to working locally to preserve our natural ecosystems for the benefit of people and the earth's biodiversity. Through education and conservation activities within our communities, we raise public awareness of environmental issues and connections to the natural world. You might spot one of our many nest boxes or Osprey platforms while outdoors enjoying our shoreline community. To learn more about the natural world, our conservation activities and how you might get involved, visit our information-packed website at www.menunkatuck.org.

About the Scholarship Program:

The goal of the Menunkatuck Audubon Society Scholarship is to find students from our local communities who have demonstrated a significant interest in environmental conservation, and to contribute to their further development on the subject through higher learning.

The ideal candidate will have demonstrated leadership in the area of conservation both in and out of school, which would merit a financial award directed toward their continued education.

Although GPA and other academic achievements will be considered in each application, many other attributes including real life experience will play a major role in determining who is deserving of such award. We encourage all prospective or current college students who have a particular interest in a conservation related field to apply.

Deadline and Decision:

Applications must be completed and turned in by the first Friday of March. The winner will be announced no later than the first Friday of May. He or she will receive a check for \$1000 at the start of their next semester.



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Eligibility

At the time of application, the applicant must be:

- At least 17 years of age.
- A native of any of Menunkatuck Audubon Society's 6 chapter towns or a college student residing in New Haven County.
- A prospective or current undergraduate or graduate college student with proof of applications to or enrollment in accredited universities.

At the time of receipt of the scholarship, the recipient must show proof of enrollment for the next semester.

Limits for Past Applicants and Recipients: We will allow one application per person each year. There will be no limit to the number of times one person can apply. Past recipients of the Menunkatuck Audubon Scholarship may also apply and be awarded multiple times, with no limitation to the maximum number of awards, as long as he or she is still attending school full time.

How to Apply:

The applicant must provide the following:

- 1) A completed Menunkatuck Audubon Society Scholarship Application Form.
- 2) Proof of application to or enrollment in an accredited university.
- 3) Three letters of recommendation, with no more than one from a family member.
- 4) A personal statement not exceeding 1000 words, and completed solely by the applicant.
- 5) A passport size photo clipped to the front of your packet.

