Bent Conservation District
Scholarship Program Information
719-456-0120 x 105 or bentconsdist@gmail.com

2027 AWARD

The Bent Conservation District is offering a one-time payment scholarship, in total, to qualified applicants. This award will be in the form of a check issued to the scholarship recipient. The check will be issued upon receipt of enrollment verification in the college. The recipient of the scholarship will be sent notification by January 11, 2027. Students along with two guests will be invited to celebrate their award at the Bent Conservation District's Annual Meeting. This will take place February 18, 2027 at 6:00 pm at the John W Rawlings Heritage Center in Las Animas.

OBJECTIVE

To recognize outstanding student leadership, community service, and to promote participation in area colleges in agriculture related fields.

ELGIBILITY

All high school seniors who are residents of the Bent Conservation District may apply. **Students must enroll in an agriculture related course of study for the 2027/2028 school year**. **Recipients will be required to submit class schedule before award will be given. A class schedule that does not reflect an agriculture related field of study will not be honored.**

The Bent Conservation District includes most of Bent County plus a part of Otero County, which is east of North La Junta between the Fort Lyon Canal and the Arkansas River. If you are unsure if you fall in the conservation district boundaries, please reach out to Bent Conservation District at 719-456-0120 x 6028 or email: bentconsdist@gmail.com

PROCEDURE

Applications may be obtained from high school guidance counselors or the Bent Conservation District Office located in the USDA Service Center, 760 Bent Avenue, Las Animas, CO, 81054. **The deadline for completed applications is December 21, 2026 by 4:00 p.m. Mail, email: bentconsdist@gmail.com or hand deliver applications to the Bent Conservation District, located in the USDA Service Center, 760 Bent Avenue, Las Animas, Colorado, 81054.** The Bent Conservation Board of Supervisors will review the applications received. Selection is based on aptitude tests (SAT or ACT), leadership activities, community service, student's interests, work-experience and application criteria fulfillment. **School official must sign and seal an official transcript with SAT and / or ACT scores recorded by the school official. Please note on the application, page 1, there are two signatures required by school officials. Omission of signatures will result in an automatic termination of application.**

The recipient of the scholarship will be sent notification by January 11, 2027. Should the scholarship recipient fail to meet the aforementioned requirements, the board has the right to select another individual.

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Scholarship Application

Personal Information

Name	
Street Address	
City ST ZIP Code	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
E-Mail Address	
Parents Names	

- **Submit your senior photo.**
- **Submit a high school transcript.**

Education Information

Indicate score

___ ACT Composite ___ SAT Verification of Test Scores_____

(Signature of school official)

Education Information

High School you are currently attending:

___ High School GPA Verification of High School GPA:_____

(Signature of school official)

Post Graduation Plans:

Include your post graduation plan:

Activities

Involvement in school activities:

Activities

Involvement in community service activities:

Other Information:

Special Honors or Recognition Received:

Other Information

List special interest, talents, and hobbies:

Additional Requirements

- **On a separate paper submit a short essay (300 words or less) on how you would use the scholarship to benefit your future, and why this scholarship is important to you.**

Reminder: Be sure to have a school official sign the verification of GPA and SAT/ACT test scores on Page 1

If selected, I agree to use the scholarship towards agriculture related studies during the upcoming school year 2027/2028.

Applicant Signature	
Parent/Guardian Signature	
Date	