

TEXAS 4-H WATER AMBASSADORS SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES & APPLICATION

Guidelines

The Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District (LPGCD) offers a scholarship to students in Bastrop and Lee Counties who are accepted and active in the Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program (4-H2O). The scholarship is intended to support and encourage the exploration of diverse career paths in the water industry and to invest in the development of future leaders in the industry.

Scholarship Benefits

1. Coverage of the annual participation fee (currently \$300) for selected and retained ambassadors. LPGCD will pay this fee directly to the 4-H2O Program.
2. Reimbursement for expenses and participation fees incurred with spring and fall retreats, conferences, and other water-related meetings and trainings sponsored by 4-H2O. This shall be paid on a monthly basis.
3. Annual scholarship of \$1,250 accrued at the end of each school year (up to \$5,000 total) paid directly to the student for continuing education or higher education after the student's high school graduation.

Eligibility Requirements

- Student must reside in Bastrop or Lee County.
- Student must be accepted into the 4-H2O Program OR Student must be in good standing with 4-H2O by meeting all education and service requirements.

Scholarship Requirements

- Student must spend four (4) hours each month working with LPGCD on various projects with staff of different specialties as assigned by the General Manager and the Education & Outreach Coordinator. (Tasks may include assisting with monitoring and well measurements, outreach/education events, and materials development.)
- Student must file monthly written reports on 4-H2O activities and present reports in person or over Zoom to the LPGCD Board twice a year.
- District funds will be dispersed to reimburse expenses with proof of expense attached.

Application Process

To apply for this scholarship, the student must meet the Eligibility Requirements listed above, complete the application forms provided by the District, and include a copy of the acceptance letter issued by the Water Ambassadors Program or other proof of acceptance.

Reimbursements

To qualify for reimbursement of qualified expenses, the student must provide a request for reimbursement, including receipts and proof of expenses, on forms provided by the District.

Email this application to our Education & Outreach Coordinator, Claire Marks, at cmarks@lostpineswater.org by May 1, 2026. For more info, visit www.lostpineswater.org.

Application

This form can be filled out on paper or online at:

Student's Full Name _____

Legal Guardian's Full Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip code _____

Email (student or legal guardian) _____

Name of High School _____

Grade in Fall (Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior) _____

How many years have you participated in the Water Ambassadors Program? _____

I/WE UNDERSTAND THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LOST PINES GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S TEXAS 4-H WATER AMBASSADORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, AND I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

DATE

LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

4-H2O PROGRAM DIRECTOR SIGNATURE

DATE

LPGCD GENERAL MANAGER SIGNATURE

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