

MORROW SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT STEVE RUHL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Morrow SWCD will award one (1) Five Hundred Dollar **(\$500.00)** scholarship for the academic year 2026-27.

Criteria

1. Applicant and parents must be residents of Morrow County, Ohio.
2. Applicant must be a full-time college student entering the second year of an Association Program, a Junior or Senior in a Baccalaureate Program, or in graduate school.
3. Applicant must be maintaining at least a 2.5 grade point average in a 4.0 scale.
4. Applicants will be judged on GPA, Application of major course of study to environmental issues, agriculture, or education; references; and leadership potential.

All applicants are encouraged to apply, but preference may be given to those who have not received a scholarship through the Morrow SWCD office.

Method of Application

Application forms are available upon written or verbal request to the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District office:

*5362 US Highway 42, Suite 202
Mt. Gilead, Ohio 43338
(419) 946- SWCD (7923)
or
programadmin@morrowcountyohio.gov*

Application forms, along with official college grade transcripts and three letters of reference, must be completed and **returned by 4:30pm, April 8, 2026**, to the Morrow SWCD addresses listed above.

Selection Process

The Selection Committee will consist of members of the Morrow SWCD Board of Supervisors, SWCD office staff members, and possibly a representative from the Ruhl Family.

Selection Committee will review all applications and have the option to interview applicants if desired.

Scholarship recipients will be **announced the week of April 13, 2026**.

Applications and supporting materials received after 4:30pm, April 8th, 2026, at the Morrow SWCD Office will not be accepted for consideration.

Method of Distribution

Scholarship check will be made to the college the recipient is attending to be credited to their account.

**MORROW SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
STEVE RUHL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION FORM**

Applicant may reproduce this form on word processor utilizing the original format.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

County: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Parent's Address: _____

Parents City, State, Zip: _____

Accredited College/University Attending: _____

Year of College You Will be Attending in Fall of 2026: _____

Your major in college: _____

Your long-range goals:

Your activities demonstrating responsibility, leadership, and community involvement:

List other types of financial aid you have applied for or received:

List your community/church service or activities.

List your school extracurricular activities:

I, _____, verify the accuracy of all the above information.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Return completed application, reference letters, official transcript, and if possible, a picture of yourself by **4:30pm Friday, April 8, 2026** to:

*Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District
Steve Ruhl Memorial Scholarship Committee
5362 US Highway 42, Suite 202
Mt. Gilead, OH 43338*