

2018 Youth Conservation Camp
July 8-14, 2018
Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA



For the past 42 years, the Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts (VASWCD) has sponsored a week-long summer conservation camp for Virginia high school students on the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech). The program brings together about 70 interested students for a week of learning about Virginia's natural resources from conservation professionals and faculty from Virginia Tech. Most of the instruction is hands-on and outdoors.

Eligibility

Youth Conservation Camp is scholarship-based, summer educational opportunity for students specifically interested in natural resources; environmental science and natural resource conservation. Camp applicants must be in grades 9-12 during the 2017-2018 academic school year. Twelfth graders who graduate in May, June, July, or August 2017 are eligible to attend. (*Previous campers may not attend.*)

Cost

If selected, eligible applicants will only be responsible for non-refundable \$75.00 fee and their own transportation to and from camp. Tri-County/City SWCD will cover all remaining costs to include meals, lodging, activities, and transportation while at camp.

Application

Please fill out the attached application (see the next page). Completed applications and all accompanying documents should be submitted to the TCCSWCD office before **April 9, 2018** to:

Tri-County/City SWCD
4811 Carr Drive
Fredericksburg, VA 22408

For more information contact Izabela Sikora, TCC SWCD education coordinator at 540-656-2402 or email: Izabela.sikora@tccswcd.org



2018 Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts Youth Conservation Camp Sunday, July 8 - Saturday, July 14, 2018

Camper Application - Please Print Legibly or Type (Complete Front and Back)

Please complete and return application to TCCSWCD by April 9th, 2018

Applicant's First Name _____ Last Name _____

Name as it should appear on camper name tag: _____

Age (as of July 2018) _____ Gender: Male _____ or Female _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone # _____

E-Mail: _____

Name of High School Attending (2017-2018) _____

Grade Completed by June 2018 _____ Field of Interest in Conservation _____

Advisor and/or Teacher Recommendation (teacher, scout leader, etc.)

*Recommendation required:

Name _____

Relation to Applicant: _____

Phone # _____

E-Mail: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian (Please Print) _____

Mailing Address _____

(if different from above) _____

Home Phone # _____ Work Phone # _____

E-Mail _____

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian _____

Local SWCD USE ONLY: Rank: 1 2 3 4 5

Sponsoring SWCD: _____ Phone # _____

SWCD Staff Contact: _____ E-Mail _____

SWCD Scholarship (if other please note sponsor name): Yes ___ No ___ Other ___ Scholarship

Amount: \$ _____

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Please list your hobbies & favorite sports: _____

Please check your background: Urban _____ Rural _____ Farm/Agriculture _____

Briefly list conservation activities and/or school projects you have participated in involving soil and water conservation, forestry, pollution, or other environmental areas:

What is the most important environmental issue in your community or county?

Write a brief paragraph on why you are interested in conservation and/or why you would like to be selected for this camp:

What subjects/topics do you hope to learn about while attending Youth Conservation Camp?

Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____