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2027 Custer County Conservation Youth Scholarship Program

Custer County Conservation District is once again awarding a scholarship to a high school senior who resides in Custer County. This year we have a $1,000 scholarship available for 2 qualified applicants. Students applying should demonstrate an interest in conservation and submit the following:

1. Essay of at least 250 words on one of the following topics:
    - **Describe your interest in natural resources or the importance of natural resources in conservation.**
    - **Name a resource concern in Custer County, and any practices you may have witnessed, or proposals you have to help remedy that resource concern.**
        - Visit www.sdresourceconcerns.org for information on resource concerns in South Dakota.
2. Completed application (see attached).
3. Student photo.

Applications are due by March 31, 2027. Please email completed application and essay along with digital photo to Mike Baldwin at custercd@sdconservation.net. If unable to submit via email, please contact the office at 673-5680. If you are selected as the scholarship recipient, your name and photo will be included in the District's newsletter.

Thank you for your interest in this scholarship and Good Luck!

Sincerely,

Mike Baldwin, District Manager
Custer County Conservation District

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Scholarship Application

1. Student's full name:
2. Student's address:
   - Phone number:
   - Email address:
3. Name of parents:
4. List any awards, honors, offices held in high school:
5. Extracurricular activities and community service. Include any awards, honors, accomplishments:
6. Describe any involvement you have had in conservation related activities. This can include experience in agriculture, wildlife, and/or forestry:
7. College or Vocational School you plan to attend:
8. What major course of study do you intend to pursue:

Signature of applicant: