

## **Nature Track Nancy Stearns Scholarship**

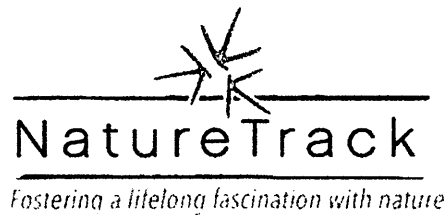
**This scholarship will sponsor a student in the Natural Sciences to continue their education at a four year university. The scholarship is for \$5000 awarded as \$2000 the first year and \$1000 each of the following three years.**

**Natural science includes any study of nature. So that will include any of the biological sciences (botany, wildlife, ecology, entomology) and of the earth sciences (geology, oceanography geography, remote sensing, cartography) and weather science (climatology, weather modeling and weather prediction) and environmental sciences.**

**We encourage students who intend to apply engineering, mathematics, or other sciences to any of the above areas either in their research or applied work.**

**If you intend to study, research and/or educate related to any topic that is related to the natural world, consider applying for this scholarship. In your essay explain your educational and career intentions. We don't expect life-long professional plans. Initial interest is sufficient.**

**Contact your scholarship counselor/coordinator at your high school for applications for the Nature Track Nancy Stearns Scholarship**



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For a graduating student from North County of Santa Barbara with a 3.0 GPA or higher, enrolling in a four-year accredited college enrolling in natural sciences. In addition to the autobiographical essay, the applicant must submit an essay of 500 or fewer words related to goals within a natural science field (student to specify).

**Describe the natural science classes you had in high school and how they relate to your interest in nature. Please indicate how your educational/career goal relates to nature.**

Priority will be given to a student with a financial need to pursue higher education. Support awarded for each of up to four years based on acceptable performance and continuation towards bachelor's degree.

Scholarship Amount: \$5,000

[\$2,000 awarded year one; \$1,000 awarded year two, three, and four based on acceptable performance. Award paid directly to the student's school tuition account.]



*Fostering a lifelong fascination with nature*

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### **APPLICATION**

#### **- APPLICANT INFORMATION -**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

#### **- GUARDIAN INFORMATION -**

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependents in family \_\_\_\_\_

Age of each dependent \_\_\_\_\_

#### **- POST SECONDARY PLANS -**

I am planning \_\_\_\_\_ years of advanced study.

I have been accepted and will attend, OR I have applied to and am waiting to hear from the following schools: Please indicate after EACH school if accepted and attending or waiting to hear.

College /University: \_\_\_\_\_

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Intended Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupational Goal: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate how did you choose colleges to apply to. How will these schools support your interest in nature?**

## AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL ESSAY

Compose a one to two-page autobiographical essay on a separate sheet(s) of paper. **Describe your goals within a natural science field (student to specify). Describe the natural science classes you had in high school and how they relate to their interest in nature. Please indicate how your educational/career goal relates to nature.** Include any interesting, unusual, or goal-shaping (related to nature) incidents that have occurred during your lifetime. The autobiography should give insight into you as a person; provide information about your financial need, educational /career goals, and extracurricular activities. Be specific. Remember to check the spelling and grammar in your application and in your essay. The overall appearance of your application is important, and neatness counts.

### High School and Community Extracurricular

Examples: sports, student government, clubs, FFA activities, church, community service, employment, 4-H, hobbies, interests, etc.

School Activities	Grade 9,10,11,12	Honors, Awards, and Recognition and Leadership Positions	Grade 9,10,11,12

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Estimated Expenses 2023/2024	Student's Estimated Income 2023/2024
Tuition/Fees _____	Savings _____
Transportation _____	Part-Time earnings _____
Books/Supplies _____	Scholarships/Grants* _____
Room & Board _____	Family Contribution _____
TOTAL _____	TOTAL _____

\*List & attach all financial aid and scholarship award notices.  
If you do not yet know, please write "pending."

**What is your financial plan for meeting your expenses, to fill the gap between your educational costs and your resources?**

Are any additional funds available from parents or extended family members?    Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, what amount per year? \_\_\_\_\_

By signing below, we certify that no other resources beyond what is listed above are available.

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Community Service/Extracurricular	Grade 9, 10, 11, 12	Hours per week

Work Experienc e	Grade 9, 10,11, 12	Hours Per week

By signing below, I certify that the above information is correct.

Signature\_\_\_\_\_ Date\_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2023.**