



## THE RIPPLE EFFECT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

The scholarship is available to any Whitefish or Columbia Falls senior entering a two- or four-year college program with plans to major in an environmental science field. Appropriate courses of study for consideration in the scholarship program include: biology, ecology, environmental science/studies, hydrology, or other fields related to water quality as approved by WLI staff. To qualify, students must also have a 3.0 minimum grade point average.

*Scholarship amount is \$500*

### Scholarship Applicant Responsibilities

In addition to completing a Scholarship Application Form (attached below), students must submit:

- Transcripts
- A 300-500 word essay describing your “watershed ethic.” In short, what is your philosophy regarding human activities that affect water quality? How does your watershed ethic make you a good steward of water resources?
- Email and phone numbers of TWO teachers to be used for references.

### Deadlines

- Completed applications and attached documentation for the **College Scholarship** must be postmarked by **April 15th** and delivered to the Whitefish Lake Institute to be considered.

All scholarship recipients will be required to complete and submit to WLI by **September 1st** a Scholarship Recipient Form requiring your Social Security Number (for proper accounting and tax records), the full name and mailing address for the college you’ll be attending, and the semester in which funds will be used. Funds will be sent directly to the college.

### Important Dates

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| <b>April 15<sup>th</sup></b>    | Completed College Scholarship Application with Required Materials Postmarked for delivery to WLI                      |
| <b>May 1<sup>st</sup></b>       | Scholarships awarded  |
| <b>September 1<sup>st</sup></b> | Scholarship Recipient Form Postmarked for delivery to WLI (Student will receive form upon being awarded scholarship). |



Print, Complete & Mail

OR

Print, Complete, Scan & email

## THE RIPPLE EFFECT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:

HIGH SCHOOL WHERE CURRENTLY ENROLLED: \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE WHERE ENROLLED: \_\_\_\_\_

ANTICIPATED MAJOR: \_\_\_\_\_

### ATTACHMENTS

- TWO TEACHER NAMES AND EMAILS TO BE USED FOR REFERENCES
- OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT
- WATERSHED ETHIC ESSAY

### Submit Application and Attachments to:

Whitefish Lake Institute  
Ripple Effect Applications  
335 Spokane Ave, Suite B  
Whitefish, MT 59937

OR:

Info@whitefishlake.org  
Subject: Ripple Effect Application

I certify that my Scholarship Application Form is complete, the required documents are attached, and that my essay is my original work. If selected for a scholarship, I understand that my name, location, GPA, course of study, and photo may be used in a public relations announcement from the Whitefish Lake Institute.

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