



Emerald Isle Fishing Tournament Scholarship: 2024 Application

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The Executive Committee and sponsors of the Annual Emerald Isle Fishing Tournament invite applications for the 2024 Emerald Isle Tournament Scholarship. Graduating seniors from Swansboro, Croatan and East and West Carteret high schools may apply. Applicants must have been accepted by an accredited 2-year Community or Technical College or a 4-year College or University. They must have an interest in some aspect of Marine or Coastal Science or Engineering, or in Fisheries, Environmental Science, Policy, or Sustainability. The Committee is hopeful that successful scholarship recipients might return to Eastern/Coastal North Carolina to pursue their post-graduate career.

The award: \$3000 paid directly to the recipient's college or university. For 2024 there may be as many as six scholarships awarded (\$18,000).

Eligibility: Any graduating senior from these local high schools with an interest in a marine or environmentally related career, except children of members of the Tournament Organizing Committee.

Applications and supporting documents must be turned in to Mrs. Nicole Rains (Swansboro), Mr. Mark James (Croatan), Ms. Pam Roberson (East), or Ms. Melissa Smith (West) no later than March 28, 2024.

In addition to this application form, applicants must submit a **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** from a teacher or guidance counselor, as well as a copy of their high school **ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT**.

Scholarship winners will be recognized at the May 14 meeting of the Emerald Isle Board of Commissioners, and are invited to the Captain's Dinner, September 20, 2024, the evening before the **6th Annual Emerald Isle Fishing Tournament**.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Personal email** _____

High School: _____

Have your High School Counselor complete this section.

Student's GPA _____

Number in Graduating Class _____

Class Rank _____

SAT/ACT Score (circle which) _____

Counselor's Name (Printed) _____

Counselor's Signature _____

Date _____

What college or university do you plan to attend?

What are your educational and career goals?

What special awards or honors have you received _____

Write a brief (1-2 pages) well organized response to each of the following questions.

The news is full of commentary about the effects of climate change and other environmental impacts on the oceans, and on coastal states such as North Carolina. The year 2023 was the warmest on record for the entire world.

1. Briefly describe **two** consequences that warming of the Atlantic Ocean has for organisms that live there and for coastal processes and events that impact North Carolina.

2. What do you consider to be one of the most serious problems affecting the world's oceans, and why do you think it is so important?

Your signature _____ Date _____