

WILLIAM B. BLANK DACA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Scholarship Award Guidelines

A. Choice of School: University of Maryland system college or university.

B. Who May Apply: Applicants must be graduates of the public or private high schools in Somerset, Wicomico or Worcester Counties who have been accepted into a course of study in agricultural production studies, or who is planning to be engaged in a career in agriculture or turf management. It is required that the applicant have a 2.75 Grade Point Average (GPA).

C. Qualifications: Applicants must have a reputation of good character, be a well-rounded young citizen and have participated in extra-curricular school or community activities. Successful applicants should demonstrate they have the maturity and commitment to succeed in college level courses of study. Applicants must write an essay of a minimum of 250 words describing why the applicant wishes to pursue a career in production agriculture or turf management.

D. Nature of Award: \$1,500 for one academic year for up to four consecutive years.

E. How to Apply: Applications are available at high school guidance offices of the public and private schools in Somerset, Wicomico and Worcester Counties. Completed applications must be submitted to the school's Scholarship Advisory Committee Chair. (Address indicated on Scholarship Application Form) by no later than April 1st to be considered for a scholarship award, only when the following have been submitted:

1. A completed scholarship application.
2. Official high school transcript of grades.
3. Letter of acceptance from college or university.
4. Two letters of recommendation from non-family members (e.g. guidance counselor, minister, school club or organization sponsor, or athletic coach, etc.)
5. Applicant may be required to be interviewed by the Scholarship Advisory Committee.

