

**Fran and Jim Buell Scholarship
Montana Trappers Association**

1. The deadline for scholarship applications is **May 1st, 2024**.
2. Refer to criteria below for eligibility requirements.
3. Scholarship will be awarded on June 1st, 2024.

Purpose:

To provide a scholarship for \$2,000 to a graduating senior or continuing undergraduate study or Masters program intending to pursue a degree in Furbearer or Wildlife Management, Natural Resources or other life science major or related field.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be between the ages of 17 and 25.
2. Applicant must submit a typed written essay that dispels one or more myths of trapping.
3. Applicant must be a member in good standing of the Montana Trapper Association.

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Brief letter with an explanation of student involvement in activities to include MTA programs, trapping, community service and school programs.
2. Completed application form typed.
3. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation by current MTA members (non-family), MTA District Director, Subdirector, from the district where application resides, or other pertinent individuals must be included with the application.
4. An official and recent transcript with cumulative grade point average, ACT and / or SAT scores, and a class standing / rank.
5. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

NOTE: Scholarship funds will be awarded to the student upon evidence of registration in an accredited, post-secondary institution.

**MTA
Application 2024**

Please type or print your answers. If application is illegible it will be returned to you.	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address:: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: () _____
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year
5.	Current High School or Post-Secondary Institution: _____ Number of years attended: _____
6.	I will be attending the following school in the <u>Fall of 2024</u> : _____ Proof of acceptance or current student enrollment from the above school is required prior to receipt of funds.
7.	I will be entering the above-mentioned school as a: (Circle one) Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior
10.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Use reverse side of application if you need more space. Name (s) _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Home phone of parents or legal guardians: _____
11.	What is your proposed field of study?

12.	<p>Personal Essay</p> <p>Please write an essay that dispels one or more myths of trapping.</p>
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<p>A. The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee.</p> <p>B. Your application will be returned to you if these items are not attached to this application.</p> <p>C. Circle "YES" or "NO" to be sure you have attached each item as required.</p>		
YES	NO	Two (2) letters of recommendation.
YES	NO	Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment. A letter of college acceptance or program acceptance is required for receipt of funds.
YES	NO	Most recent <u>official</u> high school /college transcript, including ACT / SAT scores and class standing / rank.
YES	NO	Personal Essay..

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the MTA scholarship program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____