

#### **Coastal Federation Coastal Stewardship Award**

The Coastal Federation Coastal Stewardship Award is a \$1,000 award per student in recognition of outstanding dedication to our coastal environment.

Requirements: This award is open to graduating high school seniors in one of North Carolina's 20 coastal counties to recognize outstanding stewardship of our coastal environment. Coastal counties include: Beaufort, Bertie, Brunswick, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Tyrrell, and Washington.

Evaluation: This award will be made by the Coastal Federation's Award Committee based on the following evaluation criteria:

- Past environmental accomplishments
- Future environmental plans
- Community involvement and volunteerism
- Personal interest in the coastal environment
- Challenges or obstacles
- Special need for the award
- Personal reference

Essay answers may be up to 250 words. Some questions can be answered in fewer words. Words beyond the 250-word limit will not be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The Coastal Federation may share information submitted in the application such as volunteer activities, community involvement and personal interest in the environment when publicly announcing award recipients. No phone calls or emails, please.

Deadline: Applications must be received by 11:59pm on February 13th. The award decision will be announced on April 1st.

The Coastal Federation does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or any other basis of discrimination prohibited by law. Federation staff, board members, committee members, and their immediate families are not eligible.

Completion of this application grants the Coastal Federation permission to contact the student and the student's parent or guardian with information regarding this application and other coastal information. That permission may be revoked at any time per the Coastal Federation's privacy policy (nccoast.org/privacy/).



Online submission of this application is strongly preferred. However, if necessary, this application may be mailed to "Coastal Federation Stewardship Award, 3609 Highway 24, Newport, NC 28570." Mailed applications must be postmarked on or before February 13.

STUDENT INFORMATION	
Full Name	
Email address	_
Phone number	_
Student City of Residence	
High School	
PARENT OR GUARDIAN INFORMATION	
Full Name	
Mailing address	
Mailing address	
Email address	
Phone number with area code	_
(for notification purposes)	

#### **APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

1. Please describe any of your past actions or projects that demonstrate why you make an excellent candidate for the Coastal Stewardship Award. Examples could include school projects, paid positions related to the environment, independent initiatives, mentoring, field activities, volunteerism, and other things. (200 words or less)

2. Describe your personal interest in the coastal environment. For example, why do you care about our coast? (200 words or less)	

3. How do you plan to pursue your interest in the environment in the future? Examples could include
college plans, paid positions related to the environment, independent initiatives, mentoring, field
activities, volunteerism, becoming an environmental educator, and other future plans. (200 words or
less)

4. Please describe any challenges that you faced in taking care of our coastal environment. (200 words or less)	

5. How would this award benefit you? (200 words or less)

6. Provide the name, email address, and phone number (with area code) of one person who is not related to you who can provide a personal recommendation. References will be contacted for award finalists.
Reference Name
Email address
Phone number (with area code)
By checking the box below, you agree that if selected for this award, the North Carolina Coastal Federation can announce your name, school, county of residence, and essay answers through various channels, including social media, email, the federation's website, and print. Winners are encouraged to post about this award on social media, and hereby allow the federation to share any posts regarding this award, including any photos or video generated by the student. This is not required and will not affect your application.
☐ Yes☐ No
Thank you very much for your interest in the coast! Please submit your application by April 15th. We will announce award recipients on April 30th on our webpage, via email, and on social media.