

Randy Rogers Wood Bison Foundation Scholarship Application Information

We at Randy Rogers Wood Bison Foundation (RRWBF) are proud to announce our scholarship for the 2023–2024 school year. Applications will be open to Alaska students with extraordinary talent who can demonstrate that the return of wood bison will do at least one of the following: *Inspire students to gain training in an aspect of wood bison conservation; enhance their community, or impact their professional development.*

While all applications will be considered, we place heavy emphasis on a rural student and especially to a person from 1) Grayling, Anvik, Shageluk, or Holy Cross communities and 2) the entirety of Alaska.

Scholarship Eligibility:

1. Applicants must be accepted into an accredited college, university, technical or vocational school.
2. Applicants must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher. (NOTE - Failure to do so will result in the loss of future funding).
3. Applicants must have a high school diploma—or plan to graduate in Spring 2023—or GED Scholarship

Scholarship Application Deadline:

February 13, 2023 (All paperwork must be received, not postmarked, by the deadline.)

Scholarship Award Amount:

The award amount will be \$1000.00.

Scholarship Application Requirements:

1. Application Form. Complete the RRWBF Application Form either paper or on-line (found on this web site).
2. Proof of Enrollment. Provide an “Official Letter of Acceptance” or an enrollment verification letter from your school. This letter must show the student’s field of study and class standing on their letterhead.

3. Official Transcript.
 - a. If you are already attending an institution beyond high school, include an official transcript from all universities or technical school(s) you have attended.
 - b. If you are still in high school, include an official transcript from your high school or GED.
4. Official Registration. Provide a copy on the school's letterhead of the classes you are registered for this semester.
5. Personal Essay. Write an essay describing your educational and career goals. Also include how wood bison inspire your course of study.
6. Two References— Provide contact information or letters from two individuals who are not immediate family members and who can attest to your academic abilities, your professional and educational development, and reasons they think you would be a good candidate for our scholarship.
7. Note: For continuing students who have already received the scholarship and are reapplying, you need only to submit a copy of your transcripts/grades from the previously completed school year and provide proof of registration for the next semester. You must demonstrate a forward progress toward graduation. Vocational students must be enrolled in a 1–3 year certificate program.

Send fully-completed application packet, addressing all six requirements, by certified mail (be sure to retain your receipt) to

Randy Rogers Wood Bison Foundation Scholarship Fund, c/o Rita St. Louis, 385 Nordstrasse, Fairbanks AK 99709. email: info@woodbison.org

If you filled out an on-line registration, please note that in your packet.

Note to applicants: It is your responsibility to ensure your file is complete and received by the appropriate deadlines. Feel free to contact us with any questions and to ensure that your file is complete.

Things to Keep in Mind for a Successful Application

It's easy and the fastest way to make money to further your education!

Take 15minutes-1hour of time to fully submit the application. Have your high school transcript ready to upload along with your acceptance letter to a collegiate program. Don't wait until the last minute to complete your application. Remember it needs to be fully completed in order to be considered!

Three questions to answer in your scholarship essay:

1. Who you are and what makes you unique?
2. Why are you applying for the scholarship and how does it connect to the mission of RRWBF?

(Our mission is to honor the return of wood bison to the Alaskan landscape and to acknowledge the dedication and perseverance of Randy Rogers and the countless other men and women who made the restoration project a success. We provide scholarships to people with extraordinary talent who can demonstrate that the return of wood bison will do at least one of the following: Inspire students to gain training in an aspect of wood bison conservation; enhance their community, or impact their professional development.)

3. What makes you a good investment and how will you bring it back to your community?

Randy Rogers Wood Bison Foundation Scholarship Application Checklist

- To ensure the success of your application, it would be wise for you to send an email to info@woodbison.org well before the deadline to let us know that you plan to, or think that you might apply. While not required, it helps you by putting yourself on our radar and we will watch for your application or questions.
- Read and be sure you understand the Scholarship Application Information.
- Fill out Application Form.
- Ensure that you have reviewed and fulfilled all six requirement in the Scholarship Application Requirements.
 - Send entire packet in one envelope to address provided.
- This process takes a lot of time, so start well ahead of time to ensure you complete the package.
- Deadline for receipt of full application packet is February 13, 2023. The scholarship committee will make its decision by March 31, 2023.
- We will notify all applicants whether they have been awarded the

scholarship or not.

If you have questions, email info@woodbison.org, or call 907-451-7121 or 907-388-8020.

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Please type application or print legibly in black ink. Answer all questions.

1. Full legal name: Last name, first name, middle name

2. Other names used, if any (Answer "N/A" if appropriate)

3. Circle Gender: Male Female

4. Social security number (xxx-xx-xxxx)

5. Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)

6. Permanent Mailing Address

7. Physical address

8. Telephone contact number and email address

9.(a) Name and Address of High School attended—If more than one high school, list all. If GED, list where you completed it. (b) List date range for each high school and GED studies.

10. Graduation Date or Date of GED completion

11. List name, address, date range and credits earned of all college or trade schools you have already attended (If you have not attended a college or trade school, answer N/A. (You will be asked to forward official transcripts from each institution.)

12. Name, address and department of school you will be attending.

13. Type of school (Junior College, Private/Sectarian, University/4-year college).

14.List

(a)Major Course of Study,

(b) Degree pursuing,

(c) Estimated Graduation Date
