



2016 Financial Aid Application Form

Thank you for your interest in applying to the Natural Resources Conservation Academy. The following is your guide to the financial aid application process.

NRCA GOALS

The goal of the NRCA Financial Aid Program is to make the NRCA available to all Connecticut high school students.

PRINT AND COMPLETE AN APPLICATION

Print a financial aid application form from nrca.uconn.edu and complete **all** fields. Make sure a parent or guardian completes his or her portion of the application and signs it. **Incomplete applications may make you ineligible for financial aid.**

NEED HELP?

This type of form can be confusing, and though we have done our best to simplify the process, you may still have questions. Please feel free to contact us at nrca@uconn.edu or (860)-486-4917. We are happy to be of assistance and help you fill out the form!

NEED-BLIND ADMISSION

The NRCA conducts "need-blind" admission for all students. This means that students are admitted without considering whether they need financial assistance. We only look at financial aid applications after the student has been admitted.

FREE/REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM

If you are currently approved for the free/reduced lunch program, submit a copy of your application for free/reduced lunch in place of this financial aid application form. **IF YOU SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR FREE/REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION, YOU DO NOT NEED TO FILL OUT THIS FORM.**

WHAT ABOUT YOUR PRIVACY?

Your information is held in strict confidence. It is used only for program administration and to prepare for attendance at the NRCA.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please submit the following directly to the NRCA by **March 1, 2016**:

- ☐ Application Form
- ☐ Financial Aid Application **OR** Copy of Free/Reduced Lunch Application Form
- ☐ Mail directly, by March 1, to:

Laura Cisneros
Natural Resources
Conservation Academy
University of Connecticut
1376 Storrs Rd. Unit 4087
Storrs, CT 06268-4087

Complete this form ONLY if you are applying for financial aid assistance and are not currently enrolled in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program. **If you are on the Free or Reduced Lunch Program, submit a copy of your Free/Reduced Lunch Application instead of this form (do not fill out this form).**

Student name _____ School _____

Name of recommending teacher _____

Are you currently receiving free/reduced lunch? Yes ____ No ____

Have you looked at other sources of funding? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, who have you contacted? _____

If no, it is very important to look at all sources of funding (e.g. local service groups, school boosters, local businesses and community scholarship programs).

STUDENT RESOURCES (PLEASE FILL IN EVERY BLANK. THE APPLICATION WILL BE INCOMPLETE IF BLANKS ARE LEFT EMPTY)

2015 income from wages, salaries, etc. \$ _____

2015 unearned income (gifts, Social Sec. benefits, etc.) \$ _____

Current value of student's savings and investments \$ _____

Value of trust fund of which student is beneficiary \$ _____

Year, make and model of student's car \$ _____

PARENT RESOURCES (PLEASE FILL IN EVERY BLANK. THE APPLICATION WILL BE INCOMPLETE IF BLANKS ARE LEFT EMPTY)

2015 adjusted gross income \$ _____

Father's 2015 adjusted wages \$ _____

Mother's 2015 adjusted wages \$ _____

2015 nontaxable income (child support, pension plan, unemployment comp) \$ _____

FAMILY RESOURCES (PLEASE FILL IN EVERY BLANK. THE APPLICATION WILL BE INCOMPLETE IF BLANKS ARE LEFT EMPTY)

Contribution from guardian #1 \$ _____

Contribution from guardian #2 \$ _____

TOTAL FROM GUARDIANS \$ _____

Contribution from student's income \$ _____

Contribution from student's savings and investments \$ _____

Contribution from friends and relatives \$ _____

Contributions from other funding resources \$ _____

TOTAL FAMILY RESOURCES \$ _____

Thank you for your interest in the Natural Resources Conservation Academy Financial Aid Program.
If your family has extenuating circumstances, please write below explaining your reason for the request.

Your signature below certifies that the information you have provided is accurate and that you understand, acknowledge, and agree with the following disclosures and requirements:

Natural Resources Conservation Academy will hold our information confidential. You have my consent to use it to administer the financial aid program, including producing reports and publications that include non-identifying information.

It is my responsibility to mail this application in time to meet the **deadline of March 1, 2016**. *I understand that if it is received after this date, it will be held in case of any cancellations. I understand financial assistance is awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis.*

If we receive a financial aid award, it will be my responsibility to a) accept the award by the deadline provided or forfeit the award and b) pay our family's partition of the fees at the required time unless other arrangements are made prior to the required time.

Parent/guardian signature (REQUIRED): _____ Date: _____

Parent/guardian name (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY): _____