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2023 Conservation “Scholarship Contest”

The Conservation Districts of Iowa and the Page County Soil and Water Conservation District are sponsoring a scholarship contest for Iowa high school seniors pursuing programs of **study in any field of agriculture or natural resources.**

The **Page County Soil & Water Conservation District** is providing a **\$750 *internship*** to the local winner. **The Internship involves a day in the USDA-NRCS office to become more familiar with the job that the office is doing in protecting Natural Resources. The day may include looking at terraces, ponds, CRP acres, waterways and cover crops and finding out how they benefit the landowner and preserve our precious soil and water for future generations.**

- Local winners are forwarded to the regional level of **scholarship** competition. Winners at the regional level receive \$500 awards and the opportunity to compete at the state level, where three scholarships will be awarded in the amounts of \$3,000, \$2,000, and \$1,000.

Applicants are evaluated on scholastic achievement, involvement, leadership, character, career, and conservation message.

Application forms are available from high school guidance counselors within Page County, or through the Page County Soil and Water Conservation District Office. An electronic version is now able at www.cdiowa.org/getinvolved/scholarships. Students should be sure to submit applications to the district in which they live. **Applications must be typed!!**

High school seniors should submit their applications to the Page County SWCD Office no later than Friday, **February 10, 2023** at 1003 South 8th Street in Clarinda, Iowa, phone 712-542-5484 ext.3.

The Page County SWCD Commissioners hope you have a great senior year.

The PAGE SWCD is an equal opportunity employer and provider.