Soil Stewardship Public Speaking Scholarship
Rules and Regulations *(Amended September22, 2008)*

1. Prior to receiving a scholarship from the Association of Texas Soil and Water Conservation Districts (ATSWCD), this form must be signed by the scholarship recipient and his or her parent or legal guardian. The original copy of the Rules and Regulations form, along with a completed scholarship personal information data form must be returned to the office of the ATSWCDS. A future claim by the scholarship recipient will not be honored without these aforementioned documents on file.

2. After receiving the scholarship, any information regarding the scholarship can be obtained from the ATSWCD office. The office of the ATSWCD is located at 311 North 5th St., Temple, Texas 76501 and can be contacted at (254) 778-8741.

3. The student is responsible for contacting the office of the ATSWCD regarding a claim date for the scholarship.

4. The intent of the ATSWCD public speaking scholarship is to defray tuition costs only.

5. The scholarship recipient must be enrolled in at least 12-clock hours in a college, university or other institution of higher learning to claim the scholarship.

6. The ATSWCD requires proof of enrollment in a college, university, or other institution of higher learning before disbursement of a scholarship claim. The submission of a copy of the student's enrollment receipt from the college, university or institution of higher learning showing clock hours and the current semester in which the student is enrolled is acceptable. The enrollment receipt must show the student's social security number or student identification number.

7. The ATSWCD will, upon a written request from the scholarship recipient, transfer the earned scholarship amount to the college, university, or institution of higher learning in which the student is enrolled providing the criteria in items 4 and 5 are fulfilled.

8. The ATSWCD will notify the scholarship recipient in writing when the scholarship funds are transmitted to the claimant's college, university or other institution of higher learning.

9. The ATSWCD requires that the scholarship be claimed in its entirety and not be split among semesters.

10. Loss of scholarship: A scholarship recipient can lose his or her scholarship for the following reason:
    - Failure to claim the scholarship after a period of one year following high school graduation unless special arrangements have been made with and approved by the ATSWCD.

11. Any student who forfeits his or her scholarship for the reason cited in item 10, will be notified by letter from the ATSWCD.

By my signature I attest that I have read and understand the rules and conditions applicable to the claiming or forfeiture of the Soil Stewardship Public Speaking Contest Scholarship.

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Student's signature Date

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Parent or guardian's signature Date