

The Bill Sutton Legacy Scholarship

**Administered and Funded By:
Eastern North Carolina Turfgrass Association**

Application Deadline: May 15

Return completed applications to

**Eastern North Carolina Turfgrass Association
P.O. Box 8104
Wilson, NC 27893**

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History

The Bill Sutton Legacy Scholarship was founded in 2010 by the board of the Eastern North Carolina Turfgrass Association to honor a founder of the association. Bill Sutton was also a recipient of the Carolinas GCSA Distinguished Service Award and a founder of the Turfgrass Council of North Carolina. His enthusiasm for people and integrity were legendary. He was a former golf course superintendent at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base and then at Walnut Creek Country Club. As a salesman at Eastern Turf Equipment, Bill helped countless people in the turfgrass industry. Bill Sutton also served his country in the United States Navy during World War II. Perhaps what best sums up Bill Sutton are his “Things Worth Remembering” which read Things Worth Remembering- The value of time, The pleasure of working, The worth of character, The power of kindness, The influence of example, The obligation of duty, The virtue of patience.

General

The Bill Sutton Legacy Scholarship offers education aid to the children and grandchildren of Eastern North Carolina Turfgrass Association members. An award of \$1500 will be given annually. Applications will be reviewed by a committee made up of two anonymous ENCTA board members. All decisions of the committee will be final. Applicants will be notified of their status by mail by June 15 of the year submitted. All scholarship award checks will be made payable to the applicant and his/her educational institution.

Eligibility

1. One or more of the applicant’s parents or grandparents must have been an ENCTA member for five or more consecutive years. The scholarship is open to natural or adoptive offspring of ENCTA members. Children or grandchildren of deceased members are also eligible if the member was active at the time of his or her death.
2. The student must be enrolled full-time at an accredited institution of higher learning, or in the case of high school seniors, must be accepted at such an institution for the next academic year. Graduating seniors must attach a letter of acceptance to their application.

3. Past winners are ineligible to apply the following year. They may reapply after a one-year hiatus.

Criteria for Selection

1. Applicants will be evaluated based on academic achievement, extracurricular and community involvement, leadership, and outside employment.
2. The student must submit an application including a discussion of no more than 250 words on a topic question that will change each year. **The answer to the topic question must be original and not previously submitted with any other scholarship application.**
3. Financial need is not a factor in the selection.

How to apply

Students must complete and submit the attached application form and supply the following under one cover:

1. Transcripts from all high schools and colleges attended
2. Typed original answer to topic question.
3. Graduating high school seniors must attach a collegiate letter of acceptance to their application
4. All applications must be postmarked by May 15 of the year submitted
5. Send packet to:

Eastern North Carolina Turfgrass Association

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Attn: Scholarship Committee

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Application Form

Section 1

Name _____ Date _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone () _____ E-mail _____

Cell Phone _____

Section 2 Member Relative Information

Name of Member _____

Relationship to Applicant _____

ENCTA Member is ____ Living ____ Deceased

Member's Signature if living _____

Section 3

List in chronological order high schools attended, then colleges. It is very important that this information is complete. This information must be documented by a school transcript.

Name of institution Dates Attended GPA Graduation Date

Are you currently attending college? ___ yes ___ no

If so, which college? _____

If not, have you been accepted for the fall semester? ___ yes ___ no

Which School? _____

What is/ will be your major? _____

List any academic distinctions and honors you have received during high school or college:

List school or college activities in which you have participated (athletics, clubs, school paper, fine arts, etc.). Please note any honors or distinctions you have received:

List your activities outside of school or college (clubs, organizations, community service, etc.):

List any offices held in school or community organizations:

List employment you have held since entering high school:

Type of Work	Employer	Employment Dates
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List any other scholarships awarded:

Scholarship	Sponsor	Date	Amount
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List 4 character references that may be contacted

Section 4

Attach a typed discussion that does not exceed 250 words. The discussion must be original and not previously submitted with other scholarship applications. The discussion should be on the following topic:

How important is having a strong work ethic to being successful in life? Who has influenced your work ethic the most? What specific examples have you seen that have influenced your work ethic?

Certification

I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

(Applicant's Signature)

(Date)