



**EASTERN SIERRA BIRD ALLIANCE**  
*previously Eastern Sierra Audubon Society*

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**Graduating Senior Scholarship Application**

This application must be received by **April 25, 2025**

Email to [scholarship@esaudubon.org](mailto:scholarship@esaudubon.org)

The Mission of National Audubon Society is:

**"To conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife and their habitats, for the benefit of humanity and the earth's biological diversity."**

The Eastern Sierra Bird Alliance will award two \$500 scholarships to Mono County or Inyo County graduating seniors whose future studies, current and future volunteer work, and career ambitions will **promote our Mission** through art, science, education, advocacy, habitat conservation, journalism, literature, law, public policy, environmental justice or outdoor recreation. Volunteer work as a student is a plus, but not a requirement. Qualified applicants are required to attend college (including vocational, alternative, specialized, and 2- or 4-year colleges) full-time starting in Fall 2025. Online applications are available at:

<http://esaudubon.org/education/scholarships/>

**Instructions:** This application will be used to select scholarship recipients. Please respond to each item as completely and accurately as possible. You may use extra space if needed.

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**County of Residence:** Mono ☐ Inyo ☐

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of High School:** \_\_\_\_\_ **School District:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student in good standing?** \_\_\_\_\_ **Going to graduate in 2024?** \_\_\_\_\_

**If NO, explain:** \_\_\_\_\_

List specific colleges to which you have applied or plan to apply. Indicate if you have been accepted.

| <b>College/School name</b> | <b>Applied?</b> | <b>Accepted?</b> |
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(1) Please tell us what you have done to promote the Audubon Mission. This could include school activities, formal extra curricular activities like participating in clubs, or simply noticing and advocating for birds and wildlife.

(2) Describe an experience with or observation of a bird or other wildlife that has helped to shape your personal values.

(3) How would you describe your experiences living in the Eastern Sierra to someone who spent their life in an urban area? Based on your experiences living in a rural environment, how would you explain the importance of the Audubon Mission to this person?

(4) Tell us about your future aspirations and how they relate to the Audubon Mission. What is important to you and how do you think you can make a difference?

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**Certification**

I hereby certify that I have considered each question carefully and that my statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and that this is my own work. I understand and agree that all financial assistance I may receive will be used as specified by Eastern Sierra Bird Alliance. It is my responsibility to present verification of enrollment in college classes before I receive any funds. Should I not complete my obligation, I will refund all money I have received. I also agree that any or all of my answers to the essay questions may be used by the Eastern Sierra Bird Alliance for media purposes both for the local club as well as in general news media.

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**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_, 2025  
**Date**