



Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Idaho High School Student Scholarship - Overview -

American Fisheries Society Mission Statement

The mission of the American Fisheries Society is to improve the conservation and sustainability of fishery resources and aquatic ecosystems by advancing fisheries and aquatic science and promoting the development of fisheries professionals.

American Fisheries Society Objectives

1. *Promote the conservation, development and wise use of the fisheries;*
2. *Promote and evaluate the development and advancement of all branches of fisheries science and practice;*
3. *Gather and disseminate to society members and the general public scientific, technical and other information about fisheries science and practice through publications, meetings, and other forms of communication;*
4. *Encourage the teaching of fisheries science and practice in colleges and universities and the continuing professional development of fisheries workers.*

Scholarship Overview: The Idaho High School Student Scholarship was established by the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in 2005. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist with college education costs of high school students whose professional goals support the mission and objectives of the American Fisheries Society.

Eligibility: Applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a senior enrolled in an Idaho high school
2. Have a GPA of at least 3.0
3. Plan to attend a college or university located in Idaho¹
4. Have career goals that advance the mission and objectives of the American Fisheries Society

Amount: \$250

Selection Criteria (not in order of relevance): Selection is based on:

1. Career goals
2. Course work
3. GPA
4. Letter of recommendation from a biology or science teacher

Application Process: Complete an application package which consists of the following items:

1. A completed application form (available at: <http://www.idahoafs.org/>)
2. A statement of your career goals (300 words or less)
3. A letter of recommendation from a biology or science teacher
4. A copy of your high school transcripts

All application materials must be sent together in one application package. Submit the application package to:

Lauri Monnot
Education Committee Chair
DEQ
1445 North Orchard
Boise, ID 83706

Application Deadline: January 15, 2010

Notification: The winners will be announced during the business luncheon at the annual meeting of the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in 2010. Winners will also be notified directly by March 31st.

Additional Information: For additional information on this program please contact Lauri Monnot at (208) 373-0461 or at Lauri.Monnot@deq.idaho.gov.

¹ Scholarship winners must verify enrollment at a college or university located in Idaho before the funds will be dispersed.



**Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
Idaho High School Student Scholarship
- Application Form -**

I. Personal and Contact Information

Student Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:		Email Address:

II. High School Information

High School Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:

III. GPA and Course Work Information

GPA:
Science and biology courses completed by the end your Senior Year:



**Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
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- Statement of Career Goals -**

Student Name: _____

Please provide a statement of your career goals and how they support the mission and objectives of the American Fisheries Society and justification of why you should receive this scholarship. This should be 300 words or less.



**Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
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- Letter of Recommendation -**

Student Name: _____

The above named student is applying for a scholarship from the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society. Please write a brief letter of recommendation and include the following: 1) how you know the student, 2) the student's strengths and potential, 3) the student's potential to succeed in a career related to fish, and 4) anything else you consider relevant. Please fill out the information below and attach your letter of recommendation to this form and return it to the student in a sealed envelope.

To be Completed by Person Preparing the Letter of Recommendation

Teacher Name:	
Position:	
High School Name:	
Telephone Number:	Email Address:
Signature:	
Date:	