



RCW APPLICATION PACKET

2025 Resource Conservation Workshop

- **Application deadline** - April 1, 2025
- **RCW Workshop dates** - June 15-20, 2025 at NCSU (overnight).

RESOURCE CONSERVATION WORKSHOP



The Resource Conservation Workshop (RCW) is a weeklong camp for students who are interested in conservation; the environment &/or our state's natural resources. It's sponsored by the NC Division of Soil and Water Conservation and the NC Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

The RCW targets hopeful future environmental professionals by giving students a first-hand look at a wide array of conservation careers that they may not know about.

Since the camp takes place on the campus of NC State University, it also gives students a chance to explore college life while staying over night in the dorms.

The Durham Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors are committed to sponsoring at least one Durham County student delegate per year who wants to attend the workshop. The Durham SWCD will pay all registration fees. The student will be responsible for a few meals on their own and transportation to and from NCSU at the start and end of camp.

IS THE RCW RIGHT FOR YOU? (ELIGIBILITY)

If you have an interest in nature, the environment, natural resource conservation or are thinking about pursuing a college education in any of these areas then this camp is for you!

- Students may participate only one time in this workshop.
- Priority will be given to rising seniors, but rising sophomores and juniors may apply.
- HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND.
- **Still not sure?** [Click here to check out the RCW video.](#)



HOW TO APPLY

Interested students should fill out an [official application](#) using NC State's Reporter System by having their parent/guardian create a "[Brickyard](#)" account. Then, the application can be filled out and submitted.

Applications are due March 31, 2025.

DETAILS

- **WHEN:** June 15 – June 20, 2025
- **WHERE:** NC State University Campus
- **CHECK IN:** Time to be determined

SUBJECTS TO BE COVERED

- ◆ Soil Characteristics and Soil Conservation
- ◆ Wildlife & Fisheries Management
- ◆ Forest Management
- ◆ Nonagricultural Uses for Soils
- ◆ Water Quality & Watershed Management



HOUSING

Students will be housed in a residence hall on NCSU campus. Adult counselors will be provided based on one counselor for every 7-8 students.

In case of emergency, call 919.515.2261 (between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.); after 5:00 p.m. call Campus Public Safety at 919.515.3333.

*****Be prepared to identify your student by name along with the specifics of your emergency*****

MEALS

During the week, all meals will be provided in conjunction with the workshop.

INSURANCE

Students will be covered (except for pre-existing conditions) on and off campus throughout the duration of the workshop. Coverage includes up to \$2,500 accidental and \$500 sickness. Medical services may be provided at the University Infirmary or other health care facilities.

CLOTHING

OUTDOOR STUDY TRIPS: There will be activities in the field Monday through Thursday. There will be a considerable amount of walking and outdoor exposure so you should bring a cap or hat, full-length jeans, comfortable closed-toe shoes, socks long enough to cover over pant legs to protect from ticks, and sunscreen to protect against sunburn. You may also want to bring insect repellent.

FRIDAY A.M. AND LUNCH: Casual clothing.

RECREATION: Basketball, volleyball, frisbee, swimming, etc. If you wish to participate, bring appropriate clothing. Students may bring basketballs, footballs, frisbees, etc. for after hours recreation

SCHOLARSHIPS

At the end of each camp students are asked to take a test on their knowledge of the subject matters covered during the week. The top scoring student will receive scholarship funds for collage.

Additionally, selected students will be eligible for a number of other scholarships only available to RCW participants. The scholarships are based on need and/or participation during the week.

****Please note that scholarship funds are received when the student enrolls in college, and must be claimed within 5-years of the award date.***

COST

The RCW is free for students. The cost of the workshop is paid for by the sponsoring district. This includes room, linens, instructional supplies, insurance and planned meal functions. A refrigerator and microwave are provided in most rooms.