

Friends of Lake Keowee Society
Watershed Stewardship Scholarship
Application

This scholarship is offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, gifts and other contributions have provided funding for the Foundation. resources for the benefit of all.

A. Personal Information

Applicant's Name

Quisenberry, William "Parker"
Last First Middle

Home Address

111 Westmoreland Drive
Walhalla, SC 29169

County of Residence

Oconee

Name of High School Next Eagle Ridge

Home Telephone Number

out of state # 804 824-7117

Date of Birth 07 30 2005

Email Address: Mountain Rest Farm@yahoo.com

B. Education

Date of High School Graduation

College(s) Planning to Apply/Attend: Include College Name and Location

(1) Tri-County Technical College Pendleton and Seneca

(2) _____

C. Environmental Leadership & Activity Experience - List and briefly describe any environmental leadership or activity experience, such as participation in Envirothon, Youth Conservation Camp, 4-H, Future Farmers of America (FFA), etc.

2014 - member of the 4H
1st group w/ the Barrow Project
2017 I became an official Bee keeper in 6th grade
at age 11

D. Leadership & Other Extracurricular Activities - List all other organizations and extracurricular activities in which you have or currently are participating. Indicate any activities in which you hold or have held office and note which position. Include other activities such as athletics, music, drama, dance, public speaking, clubs, societies, public events/exhibits or awards, list honors or letters earned.

5th grade Presidents Award
2018 - 2020 Vice President with 4H Club
Help educate peers with Beekeeping as
a Bee Keeper spokesman.

E. References/Letters of Recommendation

Attach recommendation letters from at least three references, other than family members, who can provide additional information about your academic and community activities. List details on those from whom you have requested recommendation letters.

1. Name of Reference:

Angela Rogers

Position/Relation to Applicant: Teacher

Telephone: 864-247-9524

Address:

129 Swamp Creek ; Salem, SC 29674

2. Name of Reference:

Laura Grant

Position/Relation to Applicant: teacher

Telephone: 804-539-6803

Address:

289 Lydia Mount Rd, Salem, SC 29676

3. Name of Reference:

Karen Watkins

Position/Relation to Applicant: Teacher

Telephone: 803-432-7971

Address:

128 Brookwood Drive, Seneca, SC 29678

G. Signatures/Certification

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. If declared a recipient of this scholarship, I will provide the Friends of Lake Keowee Society a statement that may be used for publicity purposes.

Applicant: William Parker Quisenberry

Date: 12-02-2021

Parent/Guardian: Amey D. Quisenberry

Date: 12-02-2021

H. Additional Information for Applicants

SC Adopt-A-Stream (SC AAS) provides the opportunity for those interested in the protection and improved management of South Carolina waterways to be directly involved in their monitoring and reporting. Volunteers provide vital data for streams that complements local and state data used to determine the health of our waterways. In sharing this information about stream conditions, volunteers, local communities, educators, and local government agencies can partner to protect and restore our waters. SC AAS trained volunteers have the potential to increase awareness within their own community of the relationship between pollution, watershed management, land use changes, and the personal responsibility of each individual within the watershed to be a better environmental steward.

The first step is to become a certified SC AAS volunteer by attending a FREE workshop! Volunteer trainings are available through Clemson University.

Click here to view upcoming training events.

<https://www.clemson.edu/public/water/watershed/scaas/aas-events.html>

As a SC AAS volunteer, you will be qualified to perform freshwater stream habitat assessment with physical/chemical, and bacteria monitoring (test shallow streams).

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February 8, 2022

Dear Mr. White:

I am writing to recommend Parker Quisenberry for the Friend's of Lake Keowee Environmental Program Grant. Parker is a focused young man, mature beyond his age, with an entrepreneurial spirit and a concern for the environment. I cannot think of another student who would be a better fit for this program.

When Parker was only a freshman in high school, he started his own beekeeping program to offer local honey to various individuals, and, even at that young age, he seemed to have a natural talent as an apiary who produced some of the best honey I have ever had. In addition to this, he worked on his family's farm in Mountain Rest, caring for many different kinds of animals, and even bringing them to visit us on occasion. One of my favorite memories of Parker involves his bringing his favorite young goat to picture day so that they could pose together. He loves animals, he loves nature, and he seems comfortable working outside.

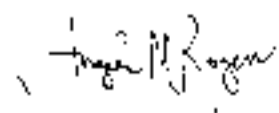
Of course, the biggest reason I would recommend Parker Quisenberry for your program is that he is one of the most resilient young people I have had the pleasure of teaching. Parker is partially deaf, but he does not let this stop him from achieving whatever he sets out to achieve. While he went through a period of struggling with the ways that he might be different from his peers, over the last couple years, I have watched him not only overcome that struggle, but rise up to be a leader who shows other students what good character looks like. Most recently, in our drama class, Parker wrote a spoken word poem that was incredibly personal. When we asked the 26 students in the class who would like to share first, Parker was the one who volunteered... and brought a number of us to tears with his beautiful words.

Just this morning, Parker wanted me to try a new creation - his homemade nachos - made from scratch. (And they were delicious.) He just has this natural curiosity about how to use plants and crops that he raises to create wonderful and unique things. He respects the environment and wants to protect it. He is kind, thoughtful, and courageous.

For all of these reasons, I think Parker Quisenberry would be a wonderful candidate for your program. I think that you can offer him the opportunity to fully pursue some of his interests and help him use his unique talents to flourish. I am happy to speak with you at your convenience to further discuss Parker's qualifications.

Sincerely,

Angela M. Rogers, Ph.D.



To whom it may concern,

My name is Kaleb Hawkins and I am a Secondary Social Studies teacher at NEXT school Eagle Ridge. During my time at the school I have had multiple opportunities to observe the talents and skills of Mr. Quisenberry. Parker is a hard working and dedicated student who sets high standards for himself as well as meeting and often excelling above the standards of the school. Even outside of the classroom, it is very obvious that Parker maintains successful relationships with his peers. These relationships give Parker the opportunity to not just motivate himself, but also the people closest to him.

With that being said, I believe Parker would make a wonderful candidate for this opportunity. He is a candidate that would understand the positive effect that this opportunity could have on him and work diligently to make the most of it.

Best,
Kaleb Hawkins

Good afternoon.

Parker is a superb student! He gives 100% effort in every assignment and always turns his work in on time. he is polite, studious, and kind.

Best,

Laura



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