

Virginia Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts

**2025 Youth Conservation Camp**

**Sunday, July 13 - Saturday, July 19, 2025**

**Camper Application** - **Please Print Legibly or Type (Complete Front and Back)**

**Please complete and return application to Mountain Castles Soil & Water Conservation District**

**by May 1, 2025. Email application to tim.miller@mountaincastles.org.**

*The cost for camp is $550/camper. Full scholarships are available to two students from district high schools.*

**Applicant’s First Name** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Last Name** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Preferred Name** as it should appear on camper name tag:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Age** (as of July 13, 2025) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Gender**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**T-Shirt Size** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **City**:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Zip**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(*to receive paperwork to*)2003 camp, do you all think that we should chagne over the reigns.

**Name of High School Attending** (2024-2025) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Grade Completed** by June 2025\_\_\_\_\_ Field of Interest in Conservation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Please note that to be able to attend YCC a student must be in 9th-12th grade in the 2024-2025 school year*

**Name of Parent or Guardian** (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Phone #\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** of Parent or Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**\*Advisor and/or Teacher Recommendation** (teacher, scout leader, etc.) needs to be a non-family member.  **\*Please attach a written recommendation with this application**

**Recommender’s Name**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Relation to Applicant**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**For Local SWCD USE ONLY: Rank**: 1 2 3 4 5

Sponsoring SWCD: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SWCD Staff Contact :\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

SWCD Scholarship (*if other please note sponsor name*): Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Partial\_\_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Amount: $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Due to VASWCD by May 5, 2025**

**\*Students should complete and return applications to Mountain Castles SWCD by May 1, 2025**

(Turn over for Page 2, Camper Interest Questions)

**YCC Camper Interest Questionnaire**

Please list your hobbies & interests: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please check your background: Urban \_\_\_\_\_\_ Rural \_\_\_\_\_\_ Farm/Agriculture \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Briefly list any conservation activities and/or school projects you have participated in involving soil and water conservation, forestry, pollution, or other environmental areas:

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What do you believe is the most important environmental issue in your community or county: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Write or attach a brief paragraph on why you are interested in conservation and/or why you would like to be selected for this camp:

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What subjects/topics do you hope to learn about while attending Youth Conservation Camp?

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***Applicant’s Signature\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***