**CONSERVATION ESSAY**

Kidder County Soil Conservation District will be awarding up to $2,000.00 in scholarships to deserving Kidder County high school senior(s). Criteria for the scholarship are as follows:

1. Eligibility –high school senior currently enrolled in a Kidder County School or residing in Kidder County.
2. One scholarship will be awarded dependent upon quality of essays.
3. Scholarship will be awarded in the first year of college enrollment.
4. Essay must be received by our office on or before April 9th , 2024.
5. The Scholarship check will be mailed to Financial Aid Office at the college of winner’s choice.
6. Kidder County SCD reserves the right to terminate the essay program or change provisions and conditions with reasonable notice at any time except once the scholarship has been financially awarded, it shall continue through the expiration of that term.

Essay should focus on a specific Natural Resource identified below concerning Kidder County. Give specific information about your issue and what you feel could be done to address and improve the problem. Essay must be a minimum of 1000 words and double spaced. Please include a cover page including name, address, E-mail, and college to be attending.

Please include facts and references. A minimum of two credible sources sited on a bibliography page which do not count toward minimum words.

 Topics that could be used would be: 1. Alternative Livestock Feeding or Forage Systems

 2. Grazing Land Management

 3. Precision Agriculture

 4. Conservation Concerns for Kidder County

 5. Water Quality (Irrigation/Ag Waste/Recreational Use)

6. Soil Health (Compaction, Organic Matter)

7. Other Applicable Agriculture Topics

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