BEN CHRISTIANSON EARTH STEWARD SCHOLARSHIP

PURPOSE
To perpetuate the memory and values of Ben Christianson through the annual awarding of the Earth Steward Scholarship in his honor to a graduating senior of Wausau East High School.

APPLICATION PROCESS
Apply online by visiting www.cfoncw.org. Click on “Grants & Scholarships” / “Scholarships” / “Apply Online Now” to reach the online application portal and begin the registration and application process. If this is your first visit to the site, you will need to “Create an Account.” If this is a return visit, enter your email address and password. Choose the appropriate application from the menu.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 15

YOUR APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:
- Transcript of most recent grades
- List of extracurricular activities (downloadable form online)

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION
To be an Earth Steward encompasses more than being an activist, environmentalist, recycler, and taking note of water and energy consumption. It is a way of life and means to live with integrity, to be a giver, to appreciate beauty in nature, to be moved by the changes in the sun, moon, and stars, to possess a willingness to try new things, to have an incredible work ethic, to be a life-long learner, to live gently, and to be mindful of one’s environment as well as to reach out to others when there is a need.

- Be a graduating senior from Wausau East High School;
- Dedicated to the environment;
- Displaying a strong work ethic, a desire to do things right, and to make things better;
- Demonstrating the characteristics of integrity, compassion, caring, empathy, and kindness;
- Preference will be given to students interested in pursuing an education and career in earth sciences,
- GPA is not a factor in selection.

ANNOUNCEMENT
The recipient will be announced at the Wausau East High School senior awards ceremony in the spring.

PAYMENT OF THE SCHOLARSHIP
The recipient will receive a congratulatory letter from the Community Foundation after the awards ceremony, instructing them on how to receive their scholarship funding. The student must provide proof of registration to the Community Foundation office for payment to be initiated. The Foundation will make payment directly to the college or university the student is attending.