

**David DeConto**  
**Chairman Scholarship Committee**  
**16 Jan Sebastian Drive**  
**Sandwich, MA 02563**

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230 Hathaway Boulevard  
New Bedford, MA 02740

January 1, 2020

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Massachusetts Shellfish Offices Association, a non-profit organization of municipal representatives, has established a financial assistance program. Senior high school students enrolled in a higher education Marine Biology program and that are residents of a city or town that sponsors a representative to the M.S.O.A. (see listing) are eligible to apply for an award.

Please forward the enclosed forms to the appropriate personnel in your organization for distribution to eligible students.

Neither need, nor high academic excellence is a criterion in the selection process. Students showing consistent interest in Marine Biology are encouraged to apply.

The selection committee will contact each successful candidate to request a copy of their attending schools' "Enrollment Letter". Upon receipt of that copy, your high school principal will be notified of our selection.

Cities and towns sponsoring a representative to the M.S.O.A. are:

**M.S.O.A. Regional List**

<b>NORTH SHORE:</b>	Salisbury	<b>SOUTH EAST:</b>	Marshfield	<b>SOUTH SHORE:</b>	Wareham
	Newburyport		Duxbury		New Bedford
	Newbury		Scituate		Dartmouth
	Rowley		Plymouth		Westport
	Ipswich		Kingston		Fall River
	Essex		Marion		
	Rockport		Fairhaven		
	Gloucester		Mattapoisett		
	Manchester by the sea		Swansea		
<b>CAPE COD:</b>	Bourne	<b>CAPE COD:</b>	Chatham	<b>ISLANDS:</b>	Oak Bluffs
	Sandwich		Brewster		Edgartown
	Falmouth		Orleans		Chilmark
	Mashpee		Eastham		Gay Head
	Barnstable		Wellfleet		Tisbury
	Yarmouth		Provincetown		West Tisbury
	Dennis		Truro		Gosnold
	Harwich				Nantucket



**M.S.O.A. Scholarship Application Form**

**The M.S.O.A. must receive this form by FRIDAY APRIL 3, 2020**

**Include with this form, a transcript of grades, and a letter of recommendation from your science teacher or guidance counselor.**

**Mail to: M.S.O.A. SCHOLARSHIP  
David DeConto  
16 Jan Sebastian Drive  
Sandwich, MA 02563**

**Please Type or Print:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City/Town) (Zip)

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(D.O.B.) (Contact Phone Number)

**High School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City/Town) (Zip)

**List any work, experience, or related activities:**

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**List all schools that you have applied to:**

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**Briefly explain why you are pursuing a degree in Marine Biology:**

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