

MASTER GARDENERS OF MADISON COUNTY
HORTICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP
2009

The purpose of the Master Gardener scholarship program is to provide financial assistance to a high school senior, who resides in Madison County, and has declared the intent to study horticulture or a related subject, such as botany or landscape architecture, agriculture, animal sciences relating to horticulture, forestry, natural resources, and environmental sciences. The scholarship will be awarded according to the following guidelines:

1. A high school senior, entering college, majoring in horticulture or a related subject area.
2. Lacking a viable High School Senior applicant, continuing scholarships beyond the freshman year will be considered.
3. Award of scholarship will be made without regard to race, color, sex, religion, handicapping condition, or national origin.
4. More than one scholarship may be awarded in any given year.
5. Applicant must provide proof of college acceptance upon award notification.
6. In judging applicants, the following points will be considered:
 1. Essay on reason for choosing horticulture or related college major.
 2. Teacher(s) / Counselor recommendation
 3. Character
 4. Personality
 5. Leadership
 6. Scholarship – preference for students in the upper third of their graduating class.
7. A scholarship committee of the Master Gardeners of Madison County will review the applications. Personal interviews may be required, as determined necessary by the scholarship committee. If the committee determines there are no qualified applicants, the award may be withheld.
8. Additional applications may be obtained from the Madison County Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service office, located in the Madison County Government Center. Applications are due in the County Cooperative Extension Service Office by 4:00 p.m. on the last business day of February, for the school year beginning the following September. Candidates who submit their applications by February 14th will have the benefit of a pre-award review.
9. The number and amount of awards will be determined annually by the board of directors of the Master Gardeners of Madison County. Whenever possible, this determination will be made by June 30th for the following year's award. For 2009, there will be one or two scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 each.

Scholarship moneys can be used for tuition, books, supplies, and other school-related expenses, including room and board at school-operated facilities. School-related expenses will be clarified on a case-by-case basis, as the need arises.

Scholarship payments will be made directly to the college or university after official notice of entry is presented by the award recipient or sent by the college or university. The scholarship's financial responsibilities are administered through the Madison County Community Foundation. Email applications to Orick@purdue.edu or mail to:

**Purdue University Cooperative Extension Services, 16 East 9th Street,
Madison County Govt. Center, Anderson, IN 46016.**

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HORTICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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| Applicant Name: | | Email: | |
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| Father's name: | | Mother's Name: | |
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| Permanent Address: | | Telephone: | Social Security Number: |
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| City: | | State: | Zip Code |
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| High School | | Teacher/Counselor name: | Teacher/Counselor ph: |
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| Current Class Rank | Current Class Size | Graduation or completion date | |
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| College or University where admitted: | | Anticipated enrollment date: | |
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| College Major: | | Minor, if applicable | |
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| High School Extra-curricular activities: | | | |
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| Community Activities: volunteer work, employment, organizations involved with: | | | |
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Attach essay on reason for choosing horticulture or related college major. Essay length should not exceed one page, single spaced. Deadline: must be received by 4:00 p.m., on the last business day of February. To benefit from pre-award review, deadline is February 14th.

Applicant Signature:
(Digital signature acceptable)

Date:

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Teacher / Counselor Recommendation

Applicant's Name: _____

This recommendation to be returned separately to: Master Gardeners of Madison County, c/o Purdue University Cooperative Extension Services, 16 East 9th Street, Madison County Govt. Center, Anderson, IN 46016. Alternately, the recommendation may be emailed from the Teacher/Counselor's school email address to the Scholarship Committee chair.

The applicant named above is being considered for a scholarship sponsored by Master Gardeners of Madison County. The purpose of the scholarship program is to provide financial assistance to a high school senior, who resides in Madison County, and has declared the intent to study horticulture or a related subject, such as botany or landscape architecture. In making your recommendation, address the following traits:

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| Character: |
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| Personality: |
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| Leadership: |
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| Scholarship: (include class rank & size) |
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| Other: |
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(if mailed) Signature: _____ Date: _____