

The Master Gardeners of Central Georgia Academic Scholarship (Continuing Education)

The Master Gardeners of Central Georgia Academic Scholarship (Continuing Education) recognizes a rising college junior or senior who has maintained an outstanding scholastic record while pursuing higher education, as well as participation in school and community activities. The recipient will receive \$1,000.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. An applicant must be a resident of the state of Georgia.
2. An applicant must be currently attending an accredited institution of higher learning (university, college, technical college, etc) located within the state of Georgia, on a full-time basis. An applicant must also be enrolled as a full-time student at that institution by Fall 2011.
3. An applicant must be a rising junior or senior with a declared major in one of the following disciplines: Agriculture, Biology, Botany, Entomology, Environment, Horticulture, Landscaping, or related fields.
4. An applicant who possesses a military academy appointment, ROTC scholarship, or any other full four-year scholarship that includes both room and board is ineligible for this scholarship.

PROCEDURE:

A selection panel composed of members of the Master Gardeners of Central Georgia will determine the award recipients based on **scholastic achievement** (grade point average (GPA) based on 4.0 scale and academic honors), **involvement in school** (student government, tutoring, mentoring, clubs, etc), and **involvement in the community** (volunteer activities, service organizations, church, etc). Applicants will also complete a short personal statement outlining their educational goals. Scholarship recipients will be notified of their selection in August 2011.

The applicant must provide all of the following:

1. Completed Part A of the application signed in the appropriate places.
2. Copy of a valid picture ID confirming residence within the state of Georgia.
3. An official transcript (with raised seal and in a sealed envelope with school official's signature across the flap) from the school currently attending.
4. Typed listing of the following accomplishments and activities engaged in while pursuing higher education, divided and titled by category:
 - a. Scholastic achievement (GPA based on 4.0 scale and any academic honors or distinction)
 - b. Involvement in school (student government, tutoring, mentoring, clubs, etc)
 - c. Involvement in community (volunteer activities, service organizations, etc)
5. Completed Part B of the application listing three references (other than family members) who are familiar with the applicant's academic achievements.
6. Typed personal statement of no more than 500 words outlining the applicant's educational goals.

The entire application must be mailed, **postmarked no later than July 31, 2011**, to the following address:

**Andy Rodriguez
Scholarship Committee Chairperson
103 Via Eldorado Dr
Warner Robins GA 31088-5850**

Note: The award **must** be used within the **2011–2012 academic year** for educational use billed by the institution (tuition, fees, on-campus room and board, etc). **The award money is mailed directly to the recipient's school upon written verification of the recipient's full-time status.** It is the award recipient's responsibility that the MGCG's scholarship committee receives this verification **postmarked no later than October 1, 2011** before any money is paid. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the award.

Please email any questions to info@mgcg.org. Place "Scholarship" in the subject line.

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PART A. APPLICANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Please print or type all information.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

School attending: _____

Degree pursuing: _____

Major: _____

Expected graduation date: _____

It is understood that this scholarship is based on **scholastic achievement, involvement in school and involvement in the community**. During the academic year 2011-2012, the applicant will be a full-time student at an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning (university, college, technical college) located in the state of Georgia. All information contained in this application and all supporting documents are truthful and accurate. Any willful misrepresentation or falsification of facts will make the applicant ineligible to receive any Master Gardeners of Central Georgia Academic Scholarship in this or any subsequent year.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature (If under 18 years of age)

Date

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PART B. REFERENCES:

Please provide the names and information requested below of three references (other than family) who are familiar with the applicant's academic achievements. Please print or type.

Reference 1:

Name and Title: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Reference 2:

Name and Title: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Reference 3:

Name and Title: _____

Organization: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____