

PGMS DC Branch Scholarship Criteria

1. Applicant must be a resident of MD, VA, or DC
2. Applicant must be a current student of horticulture or a related field.
3. Applicant must be at least in their first year of college or may be recently graduated from high school (within the calendar year).
4. Applicant must be sponsored by a PGMS member.

WHAT THE SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE LOOKS FOR:

- An active student with solid grades,
- Past or current employment in the green industry,
- Involvement in the industry with apprentice or professional organizations, such as FFA, 4H, state or county programs,
- Civic projects and outreach programs.

The committee also looks for any personal development classes and any involvement in sports or clubs.

APPLYING FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP;

All applicants must submit the following to PGMS DC Branch, either by mail or email:

- The completed scholarship application.
- Cover letter. Please include introduction, educational and professional goals, and intent for use of scholarship funds.
- Current resume. Please include past employment history, awards, and certificates earned.
- College or school transcripts.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation. These should be from an instructor, employer, etc.
- A letter from the PGMS member who is sponsoring the applicant.

All applications will be judged on qualifications, recommendations, and presentation of total criteria. Winners will be notified by May 1. ***Please note that you are expected to receive the scholarship in person at a meeting. Failure to do so will forfeit the award.***

Scholarship application deadline is March 1. ***Please note that incomplete application packets will not be accepted for consideration.***

The top recipient will receive complimentary student membership to PGMS for one year and have the opportunity to attend the Green Industry Seminar and the Green Industry Field Day. PGMS will pay for the scholarship recipients' seminar and field day registration.



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The mission of the Professional Grounds Management Society, D.C. Branch, is to foster integrity and excellence in grounds management by promoting professional development through education programs, networking, community service, and fellowship. As part of this effort, the D.C. Branch offers a scholarship to those interested in pursuing higher education in a horticulturally-related field.

Offered annually, our scholarship provides financial aid to students currently studying landscape and grounds management, turf management, irrigation technology, or a closely related field.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicants will be considered for all appropriate scholarships. Selection is based on student's qualifications for the scholarship and recommendations.

Every applicable question must be answered fully.

Please type or print. Use additional pages if needed.

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Campus/School Address _____

Permanent/Home Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone # _____ Email Address _____

Student's Current Status:
High School Attended _____
(School Name) (City) (State) (Grad. Year)

Major Course of Study _____

College/Technical Schools Attended/Will be Attending:

Name	Address	From	To (Mo/Yr)	Graduation Year
Major _____				Grade Point Average _____
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Are you currently a full-time student (12 or more credits)? _____

If no, how many credits are you taking next semester? _____

Career Goal _____

Activities and Awards

Dates, Organizations & Events, Office or Award, H.S. and/or College

Sports, Volunteer, and Community Activities, Etc.

Dates, Activities, Level of Participation, H.S. and/or College

Work Experience (List Name of Employer, Location, Position, Duties and Dates-most recent 1st)

Additional Comments

To the best of my knowledge, the information in the above application is true and correct.

Date _____ Signature _____

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