

2020 Memphis Area Master Gardener Scholarship

The Memphis Area Master Gardeners Association (MAMG) is offering four \$2,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors and previous recipients interested in careers in agricultural, environmental sciences, horticultural, landscape architecture, and related fields. Requirements to qualify for the MAMG scholarship are as follows:

1. Applicant must be a resident of Shelby County, graduating from high school in Shelby County. College students who are past recipients of the scholarship are also eligible. Applicants must be interested in secondary education in agricultural, environmental sciences, horticultural, landscape architecture and related fields.
2. High School applicants must provide an acceptance letter from their intended community college, college, or university.
College applicants must provide transcripts as proof of current enrollment in a field applicable to the scholarship.
3. High School Applicants must provide a high school transcript with GPA, class rank, and SAT and/or ACT test scores. College Applicants must provide current transcript showing enrollment in relevant course work.
4. Children of major donors to MAMG are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.
5. MAMG offers its programs to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion or veteran status.
6. Applicants must present two letters of recommendation. Letters may be from a guidance counselor, agriculture or horticulture teacher/advisor, or an employer.
7. A 300-500 word essay is required, including the following information:
 - Your education and academic achievements.
 - Why you are applying for this scholarship.
 - Groups or organizations in which you are or have been an active member.
 - What role you have played as a leader in your school or community.
 - Your volunteer service.
 - Your plans for your future education and/or career choice.
8. High School Applicant must be willing to be interviewed by the scholarship selection committee.
9. Recipient will be asked to perform 10 hours of community service for Shelby County Extension (TN Extension is an educational collaboration between the University of Tennessee and Tennessee State University). This service must be within 12 months of notification of the scholarship and is most easily done between high school graduation and beginning of the college freshman year.
College recipient must demonstrate 10 hours of volunteer work in the appropriate field of study in the last calendar year.
10. The MAMG Scholarship Committee will receive and review applications. **Deadline for applications is March 20, 2020.** Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 1, 2020.
11. Scholarship recipient will attend one evening Master Gardener Meeting to receive the award.
12. The scholarship check will go directly to the Student's school of choice upon enrollment. The student must provide contact information for the school's financial aid office including the student's ID for the school.

**2020 Memphis Area Master Gardeners Scholarship
APPLICATION
Deadline: March 20, 2020**

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
 First Middle Last

Address _____
 Street City State Zip

Phone # _____ Email address _____

If you currently live with your parents or other guardian, provide their first and last names: _____

High School: _____ GPA on 4.0 scale _____ Class rank _____ ACT/SAT _____

Are you currently employed? _____ Full Time _____ Part Time

Name and address of employer: _____

Do you plan to work while in college? _____ Full Time _____ Part Time

What college will you attend? _____

Note: You must provide a copy of your acceptance letter.

Planned Major _____

Attach a 300-500 word essay. Please tell us about yourself.

1. Your education and academic achievements.
2. Why you are applying for this scholarship.
3. Groups or organizations in which you are or you have been an active member.
4. What role you have played in being a leader in your school or community
5. Your volunteer service.
6. Your plans for your future education and career choice

Attach two letters of reference from either a guidance counselor, biology, agriculture or horticulture teacher/advisor, or an employer.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date: _____

This completed application can be delivered any business day to the Master Gardener Office at Shelby County Extension Center, Agricenter International, Wing B, or mailed to:

Memphis Area Master Gardener Scholarship
Shelby County Extension Office
Agricenter International – Suite B, Box 21
7777 Walnut Grove Road
Memphis, TN 38120