

Madison County Master Gardener Scholarship 2023 Madison County, Ohio Application Packet



The Master Gardeners of Madison County, Ohio, is a volunteer group, through OSU Extension, empowered to educate others with timely research-based gardening information.

A scholarship in the amount of **\$1,000** will be awarded to one applicant. Applicants are eligible to apply in future years.

Residency/School: The applicant must be

- A Madison County resident, or
- A graduate of a Madison County high school, or
- A graduating senior from a Madison County high school

College, University or Technical School:

The applicant must be pursuing a PLANT SCIENCE degree, such as in the areas of **AGRONOMY, BOTANY, HORTICULTURE, FORESTRY, LANDSCAPING, ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION or AGRICULTURE.**

Graduating high school seniors or others who have not started their classes at a college, university or technical school must present an ACCEPTANCE LETTER FROM THE COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL and a HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT.

Applicants who have started their program of college study should submit a TRANSCRIPT FROM THE COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

Deadline: The scholarship committee must receive your application packet by **April 1**. Your application will not be considered if it is not complete.

Completed applications may be

- **hand delivered** to the Madison County Extension Office, 217 Elm Street, London, Ohio,
- **mailed to:**
Master Gardener Scholarship
OSU Extension of Madison County
217 Elm St.
London, OH 43140
- **emailed** to **srcline@columbus.rr.com**.

Help: If you have questions you may contact the Master Gardener Scholarship Committee by emailing the chairperson at the above email address.

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Checklist: Please include all the following in your application packet.

- Personal Information and Tell Us More about You Sheets
- Transcript from the college, university or technical school, OR Letter of Acceptance and high school transcript
- Grade point average will be a tie breaker, if necessary
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Signature and permission to check information.

Signature for verification and permission:

I certify all the contents of this scholarship application have been checked by me and everything is true. I give permission to persons mentioned in this application packet to speak with members of the Madison County Master Gardener Scholarship Committee concerning this packet and me. If I am awarded the scholarship, I give permission to use my name and photograph in newspaper articles and on the Master Gardener web site.

Signed _____ Date _____

APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY

In the event I am a recipient of the Madison County Master Gardener Scholarship, I understand, if I receive a full scholarship/fellowship from another source, I will be ineligible for the Madison County Master Gardener Scholarship. It will be my responsibility to notify the Scholarship Committee of this ineligibility so the alternate may receive this scholarship.

Furthermore, I understand if I fail to register in the fall semester, the scholarship will be awarded to the alternate.

Signed _____ Date _____

Disclaimer:

Members of the Scholarship Committee representing the Madison County Master Gardeners will review all applications. All applicants will be notified in writing. All applications and accompanying documents will remain the property of the Madison County Master Gardener Association.

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Personal Information:

Your Name: _____

(Please print clearly)

Check all appropriate categories which describe you:

____ Madison County resident

____ Madison County high school graduate of _____

(Name of high school)

Graduation year _____

____ Attending a Madison County School (*Name of high school*) _____

____ Madison County high school graduating senior

Your Full Address: (*Please print clearly*)

Your Daytime Phone: _____

Your Evening Phone: _____

Your Cell Phone: _____

Your email: _____

Tell Us More about You:

Please attach additional pages with your responses.

- A. Please list and describe any curricular or extracurricular activities or jobs involving the plant sciences in which you have been involved. Give details of your own personal participation.
- B. Please list and describe any awards you have received or your achievements.
- C. Please list and describe any volunteer service activities in which you have participated. Give detail of your own personal participation.
- D. Please write a brief statement of 300 words or less discussing your thoughts about the importance of the plant sciences and how you want to be involved in them in the future. Include your intended major or course of study and how you will use it.

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Letters of Recommendation:

Please include **two** letters of recommendation from people familiar with your CHARACTER and WORK ETHIC.

We suggest you ask a teacher, coach, advisor, work supervisor, club leader, youth leader, pastor, or counselor, but not a relative. We ask the reference include TELEPHONE CONTACT INFORMATION for day and/or evening.

Please tell your references we may be contacting them about you.

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Letter of Recommendation #1

Reference Information

Reference Name printed: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Evening phone: _____

Email: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

(The space below may be used for the letter of recommendation or the letter may be on a separate paper and included in your packet. **Please note on this paper if it is on a separate piece of paper, but you must still fill out the information above. Be sure the letter of reference includes your name and the person giving the reference has signed and dated the letter.**)

Signature of Reference _____ Date _____

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Letter of Recommendation #2

Reference Information

Reference Name printed: _____

Daytime phone: _____

Evening phone: _____

Email: _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

How long have you known the applicant? _____

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Signature of Reference _____ Date _____