

*Garden Club of St. Augustine
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2024 Scholarship Application

Thank you for your interest in the Scholarships offered by the Garden Club of St. Augustine (GCSA). There are two (2) \$1500.00 scholarships that will be awarded to Graduating High School Students and Adult Students who reside in St. Johns County, FL and are citizens of the United States.

To apply for these scholarships, please go to the GCSA website at <http://www.gardenclubofstaugustine.org/Scholarships.html> and download an application; or acquire one from your High School Guidance Counselor and e-mail or send to:

Garden Club of St Augustine Scholarship
c/o Dottie Colsant
122 Southwind Circle
St. Augustine, FL 32080
colsant@bellsouth.net

The GCSA Scholarship Committee will review the applications as they are received and schedule interviews with prospective applicants who fulfill the basic requirements. All applicants will be notified of their status in the review process. The final selection of Scholarship Winners will be made by the Committee in March 2024.

Scholarships will be presented to the winners at the May 2024 Council Meeting of the Garden Club of St. Augustine, FL, 3440 Old Moultrie Road, St. Augustine, 9:30 a.m. Winners are asked to be present and to agree to publication of their names and pictures, unless prior arrangements are made with the Scholarship Chairperson.

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Selection Criteria for Scholarship Awards is based upon:

MERIT -

Academic Record - 3.00 GPA or higher

Recommendations from Adults who have worked with you in a significant capacity

Community Service

Extracurricular Activities

FINANCIAL NEED

COMMITMENT - *to a career in horticulture, landscape design, landscape architecture, ecology, conservation, botany, forestry, or other environmentally impacted fields.*

INTERVIEW WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

1. Completed application form, pages 1-5, submitted between November 1, 2023 - February 15, 2024.
2. Typed, 150 word essay, written by you, the applicant, regarding your personal background, education, goals, and interests.
3. Clear photograph (4x6 or larger) and signed publicity release form.
4. Current H.S. transcript and, if attending, College transcript. (Adults who have not attended school in more than five (5) years, please contact Scholarship Chairperson).
5. Three (3) letters of recommendation from different sources, teachers, volunteer work, employers, ministers, club leaders, e.g., Scouts, 4-H, etc.

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STATEMENT OF FUTURE INTENT:

All applicants must have a commitment to a career in horticulture, landscape design, landscape architecture, ecology, conservation, botany, forestry or related fields.

Please check the most appropriate information regarding your future plans for Fall 2024.

- H.S. Senior, planning to attend a Community College.
- H.S. Senior, planning to attend a 4-year College or University.
- H.S. Senior, planning to attend a Vocational/Technical Institute or College.
- Currently attending and plan to continue attendance at same or different Community College.
- Currently attending 4-year College or University and plan to continue at same or different College or University.
- Currently attending Community College with plan to transfer to 4-year College or University.
- Currently attending Vocational/Technical Institute/College and plan to continue.
- Not in school but plan to attend one of the above choices of schools in the Fall.
- _____

Please fill in the above if you do not match any of the choices listed above.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Date: _____

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Tel: _____

E-Mail: _____

Male/Female: _____ **Age:** _____ **Birth Date:** _____

Do you have a valid FL Driver's License? _____

Years resided in FL _____

Currently Employed? _____ Company: _____

Job Title & Employer Contact Number: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian: _____

Same Address? _____

If Different: _____

Contact Number: _____



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SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

Date of H.S. Graduation: _____

Honors Conferred to Date: _____

Grade Point Avg: 2022 _____ 2023 _____

A.P. Courses? _____

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Volunteer Work:

Environmental Interests and Activities:

FALL 2024 PLANS:

College/University/Technical Institute Plan to Attend:

How do you intend to finance your higher education studies? Do you require Financial Aid? If yes, please list sources where you have applied:

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Do you have Financial Help through FL programs offered to FL residents?

If yes, please list:

Major Field of Study:

Major _____ Minor _____

Please include your *150 words or less personal essay*, described on pg. 2, of this application.

The Scholarship Committee will notify you of its receipt of your scholarship application and inform you of the next steps to be taken to continue your interview process, if appropriate.

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to working with you. Please call the Scholarship Chairperson, Dottie Colsant, with any questions. You may reach her by e-mail, colsant@bellsouth.net, or telephone, 904-501-2276 and leave your name, contact number, and specific question or request.

~ Garden Club of St. Augustine, a 501c3 Corporation, whose mission includes the provision of scholarships to students for advanced education in fields related to agriculture, horticulture, environmental science (ecology), conservation, landscape design and landscape architecture. ~