



# NORTHEAST WISCONSIN and EMIL & GAIL FISCHER MASTER GARDENERS ASSOCIATION HORTICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Northeast Wisconsin Horticulture Scholarship was established by the Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association along with the Emil and Gail Fischer Family to encourage students of all ages to pursue a post-secondary education in a horticulture related field.

The scholarship is valid in any year of student's education at an accredited technical college, 4-year college, or university. Students must study one of the following to qualify: (1) plant sciences including botany and plant ecology, (2) horticulture science, (3) forestry, (4) entomology or (5) plant pathology.

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Application must have been residing for at least one year in Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Oconto, Shawano, Outagamie or Manitowoc County.*

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

List all accredited schools attended (i.e. high school, college, graduate school):

Name of School	Years Attended	Degree (if any)	Major or Field of Study	GPA

List any continuing education courses taken (i.e. non-credit courses after high school):

Name of School	Course and Topics Covered	Year Attended

*If you feel the information above does not accurately reflect your academic potential, please attach an explanation on a separate page.*

## FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Where is your Primary Home (with whom do you live?):  
 Both Parents in same home  
 Mother's home       Father's home  
 Guardian       Independent\*

*\*For purposes of this application, to be considered independent you must be at least 18 years of age and have been living in your own residence, at your own expense, apart from your parents and/or guardian for at least twelve consecutive months.*

Provide the following information from your parents' or guardian's 2009 Tax Return:

- If you live with both your parents together in the same home, complete the "Primary Home" column only, using their tax return.
- If your parents do **not** live together, complete **both** columns using your mother's and your father's tax returns.
- If you live with a guardian, complete the "Primary Home" column only, using your guardian's tax return.
- If you are independent, at least 18 years of age and have been living in your own residence, at your own expense, apart from your parents and/or guardian for at least twelve consecutive months, complete the "Primary Home" column only, using your own tax return.

	<u>Tax Return of Primary Home</u>	<u>Tax Return of Secondary Home</u>
Total number of dependents:	_____	_____
Adjusted gross income:	\$ _____	\$ _____

Total number of dependents living in your household: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependents that will be enrolled in college in the 2010 school year: \_\_\_\_\_

*If you believe the information above does not accurately reflect your financial status, you may submit a separate one page explanation.*

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**WORK EXPERIENCE**

Applicant's current title and employer (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

List any previous work experience related to horticulture: \_\_\_\_\_

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**COLLEGE INFORMATION**

Degree Sought and Major: \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Choice School: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice School: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated first year expenses at your first and second choice schools:

Tuition: \$ _____	Tuition: \$ _____
Room/Board: \$ _____	Room/Board: \$ _____
Other: \$ _____	Other: \$ _____
Total: \$ _____	Total: \$ _____

Anticipated contributions to your education at your first and second choice colleges:

Parents/Guardian: \$ _____	Parents/Guardian: \$ _____
You: \$ _____	You: \$ _____
Other: \$ _____	Other: \$ _____
Total: \$ _____	Total: \$ _____

List all scholarships for which you have applied and their status (i.e. pending, awarded \$1000, denied):

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**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

1. Write an essay **not to exceed one-page** discussing your interest in the field of horticulture and what you plan to do with your education.
2. You must provide the following documents:
  - A. Official transcript from the last college or high school you attended, verifying your GPA, class rank, and test scores.
  - B. Copy of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (or FAFSA Student Aid Report).
  - C. A Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, employer or other individual who can answer the following questions: "In your opinion, what is this individual's potential for academic and career success? What is your relationship with this individual that leads you to this conclusion?"

*Please follow all directions closely. Failure to provide any requested information will result in automatic disqualification. Please limit your responses to the space provided unless specifically instructed to answer on an additional page. Additional pages not specifically requested will be discarded.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Signature (if applicant is a minor)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Submit all parts of your application by 4:30 p.m. April 1, to:**



310 West Walnut Street, Suite 350  
Green Bay, WI 54303-2734

**N.E.W. Master Gardeners Association Horticulture Scholarship  
and  
Emil & Gail Fischer Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association Horticulture  
Scholarship**

***Scholarship Overview***

The Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association Horticulture Scholarship and the Emil & Gail Fischer Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Association Scholarship Funds of the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation are designed to encourage both new high school graduates and currently enrolled college students, or a returning student to pursue a career in Horticulture.

***Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Annual Award:*** Awards to be for no less than \$400 per student per year Number of Awards: Varies depending on the quality and number of the applicant pool.

***Emil & Gail Fischer Northeast Wisconsin Master Gardeners Annual Award:*** Awards will not be given for less than \$1,000/year Number of Awards: Varies depending on quality of applicant pool.

***Eligibility Criteria***

Students must attend a two or four-year fully accredited college or university.

Scholarship is limited to students for a degree in horticultural majors.

Applicant must have been residing for at least one year in Northeast Wisconsin - Brown, Door, Kewaunee, Oconto, Shawano, Outagamie, or Manitowoc Counties and be a state of Wisconsin resident.

***Award Criteria***

The applicant should be judged on the following criteria

Financial Need

Academic Performance

Essay

Other Factors: Field experience

***Scholarship Information***

1. Complete Scholarship Application
2. Personal Statement: Provide a one-page statement describing what interests you about horticulture and what you plan to do with your education.
3. Provide the following documents:
  - Official high school transcript verifying GPA, Class rank and test scores*
  - Copy of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)*
  - Copy of all pages of the Department of Education Student Aid Report (SAR)*

Scholarship Recipients will be acknowledged and receive an award letter in May for the upcoming semester. Please direct any questions or inquires to Cathie Day at the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation, Telephone (920)-432-0800, Fax (920)-432-5577, or send email to [cathie@ggbcf.org](mailto:cathie@ggbcf.org)

*Submit your application and supporting materials annually April 1, to:*

**Greater Green Bay Community Foundation  
310 West Walnut Street Suite #350  
Green Bay, WI 54303**