

GROW★TEXAS

GROW TEXAS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in building your agriculture knowledge base and for applying for the Grow Texas Scholarship. Readability and completeness are important to the success of this application. Please read each section carefully and complete to the best of your ability. If you have any questions please contact the TNLA Office at 512-579-3863 or email growtexas@tnlaonline.org. For additional information visit www.GrowTexasScholarship.org.

ADMINISTRATION:

General administration of the Grow Texas Scholarship is under the direction of the Texas Nursery & Landscape Association. A specially selected Committee represented by agriculture professionals screen all applications and selects the recipients. All applicants will be notified by May (specific date will vary depending on the Committee schedule) whether they have been selected as a Grow Texas Scholarship recipient.

AWARDS/ALLOCATION:

The standard Grow Texas Scholarship award is \$1,000 or more one-year scholarship award. The \$1,000 award is divided into a \$500 payment per semester for the next two consecutive semesters. *Other Grow Texas Scholarship awards, varying in amounts are also available. Proof of full-time college enrollment must be submitted to the TNLA office each semester in order to receive appropriate award payment(s).

*Note: If the scholarship award is not collected by the ending date of the award (after two consecutive regular semesters from the date of the initial award) the unused portion of the award will be returned to the Grow Texas Scholarship fund, and the recipient will need to reapply.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- **Applicant must be a Texas resident.**
- **Applicant must be a high school senior or returning college student** (including high school or college seniors and graduate students) majoring in an agriculture related field, have a sincere intent to enter or be involved in the agriculture industry and attend an accredited Texas school for the period covered by the scholarship.
- **Document requirements must be submitted for application:**
 - Current Transcript:** Transcript must be official (with seal), high school and college transcripts for each school attended. (High School transcripts are not necessary if you have completed at least one semester of college and are presently attending college.) Last college semester must be on the transcript.
 - Digital Headshot Photo:** Personal Headshot to be used for publication by the scholarship program (at least 300 dpi or larger), please send in jpg, png or gif format.
 - Two Written Recommendations:** Applicant should be recommended in writing by at least two of the following: Instructor, professor, counselor, club advisor, High School Agriculture Teacher, religious leader or other persons qualified to attest to your abilities, character and scholastic ability. (PDF with signature and/or letterhead required.)

If you do not plan to apply for the Grow Texas Scholarship online please submit all documents and attachments along with USB drive or disc with Digital Photo to the following: Texas Nursery & Landscape Association, C/O Grow Texas Scholarship, 7730 S. IH-35, Austin, Texas 78745. Completed applications along with required documents can also be emailed to growtexas@tnlaonline.org.



GROW TEXAS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE, APRIL 1ST, PRIOR TO FALL SEMESTER COLLEGE ENROLLMENT

IMPORTANT: Be sure to enclose all required documents and headshot photo to this application.

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PERSONAL DATA:

NAME: _____ AGE: _____ US CITIZEN: YES NO
EMAIL: _____
CURRENT ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
HAVE YOU BEEN A PREVIOUS RECEIPIENT OF A GROW TEXAS SCHOLARSHIP? YES NO
PLEASE SUBMIT DIGITAL HEADSHOT PHOTO, MUST BE AT LEAST 300 DPI OR LARGER, PLEASE SEND IN JPG, PNG OR GIF FORMAT.

EDUCATION BACKGROUND: PLEASE SUBMIT AN OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE TRANSCRIPT FOR EACH SCHOOL ATTENDED. HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS ARE NOT REQUIRED UNLESS YOU HAVE AT LEAST ONE COLLEGE SEMESTER COMPLETED AND ARE PRESENTLY ATTENDING COLLEGE. LAST COLLEGE SEMESTER MUST BE ON TRANSCRIPT.

NAME OF SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____
 FOUR YEAR COLLEGE TWO YEAR COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL
NAME OF SCHOOL PLANNING TO ATTEND IN THE FALL: _____
CURRENT MAJOR: _____
MINOR OR AREA OF SPECIALIZATION: _____
YEAR CURRENTLY IN SCHOOL: HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN-COLLEGE SOPHMORE-COLLEGE JUNIOR-COLLEGE
 SENIOR-COLLEGE MASTERS/GRADUATE DEGREE-COLLEGE

EXPECTED GRAUDATION DATE: _____ HOW MANY YEARS IN COLLEGE? _____ TOTAL NUMBER OF COLLEGE HOURS COMPLETED: _____
TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS REQUIRED FOR DEGREE: _____ OVERALL COLLEGE GRADE POINT AVERAGE: _____ GRADE POINT AVERAGE REQUIRED BY MAJOR: _____

HOW DO YOU PLAN TO FUND YOUR COLLEGE EDUCATION?

LIST HIGH SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES ATTENDED:

ACTIVITIES AND LEADERSHIP:

PLEASE LIST ANY AWARDS, HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, ETC. YOU HAVE RECEIVED IN HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE (LOCAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL):

LIST COLLEGE/HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN RELATED TO AGRICULTURE:

LIST COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES RELATED TO AGRICULTURE:

PROVIDE OTHER ACTIVITIES AND OFFICES HELD IN COLLEGE:

DESCRIBE YOUR LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE IN WHICH YOU HAVE MADE AN IMPACT WITHIN YOUR SCHOOL, COMMUNITY AND/OR WITHIN AGRICULTURE:

EDUCATIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL GOALS:

WHAT ARE YOUR CAREER OBJECTIVES? WRITE A CLEAR STATEMENT INDICATING HOW YOUR PLAN OF STUDY RELATES OR WILL RELATE TO YOUR AGRICULTURE CAREER OBJECTIVES AND TO YOUR CONTINUED SCHOLARLY DEVELOPMENT:

WORK EXPERIENCE:

LIST ALL WORK EXPERIENCE IN WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED, WHETHER RELATED TO AGRICULTURE OR NOT:

EMPLOYER:	JOB TITLE OR DUTIES:	DATES/YEARS (START-END)
1.) _____	_____	_____
2.) _____	_____	_____
3.) _____	_____	_____

AGRICULTURE EXPERIENCE AND INDUSTRY BACKGROUND:

ARE YOU OR ANY OF YOUR RELATIVES INVOLVED IN AGRICULTURE, IF YES, PLEASE PROVIDE INFORMATION AND THE BUSINESS WORKED FOR:

INCLUDE INFORMATION RELATED TO YOUR WORK EXPERIENCES AND OTHER TRAINING WHICH YOU FEEL WILL BENEFIT YOUR PERSONAL GOALS AND AGRICULTURE CAREER OBJECTIVES:

WHAT IS THE GREATEST OBSTACLE YOU FEEL AGRICULTURE FACES TODAY AND HOW CAN IT BE FIXED?

REASON FOR APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIP: IN YOUR OWN WORDS CLEARLY AND CONCISELY STATE THE REASON YOU ARE DESERVING OF THIS SCHOLARSHIP:

PERSONAL REFERENCES:SUBMIT LETTERS OF RECCOMENDATION WITH THIS APPLICATION FROM ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- INSTRUCTOR
- PROFESSOR
- COUNSELOR
- HIGH SCHOOL AGRICULTURE TEACHER
- CLUB ADVISOR
- RELISGIOUS LEADER
- OTHER PERSONS QUALIFIED TO ATTEST TO YOUR CHARACTER AND SCHOLASTIC ABILITY

CERTIFICATION BY APPLICANT:

BY SUBMITTING THIS APPLICATION, I ACKNOWLEDGE AND CERTIFY THE INFORMATION PROVIDED WITHIN THIS APPLICATION ARE TRUE AND ACCURATE. I MEET THE INDIVIDUAL SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH BY GROW TEXAS. I UNDERSTAND IF ANY STATEMENT IN THIS APPLICATION IS UNTRUE, I MAY BE DISQUALIFIED.

IF SELECTED AS A RECIPIENT, I UNDERSTAND I MUST ABIDE BY ALL GROW TEXAS SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES AND PROCEDURES IN ORDER TO RETAIN MY SCHOLARSHIP.

I HEREBY AGREE TO THE ABOVE STATEMENT

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____