



PURDUE EXTENSION  
MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM

## **Putnam County Master Gardener Association Scholarship Application for High School Seniors**

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Putnam County Master Gardeners are committed to sustainable gardening, soil health, environmental soundness, and community involvement. We support education and outreach to local growers of food, flowers, shrubs, and trees. In offering this scholarship, we hope to further the education of young people who share our values.

This \$1,000 scholarship is available to a Putnam County high school senior who is preparing to enter post-secondary education in the fall of 2022. Home-schooled students are welcome to apply. To qualify, the student must:

- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher;
- Plan to major in horticulture, agriculture, plant science, botany, forestry, landscape architecture/design, or another gardening-related field;
- Include a letter of recommendation from a teacher who has taught this student within the last two years;
- Include a transcript listing courses taken and grades received, for seven semesters;
- Be accepted into an accredited two- or four-year college or university and be enrolled for the fall of 2022.

This application must be postmarked or emailed on or before April 1, 2022.

Mail or email the signed application along with the transcript and the letter of recommendation to

Purdue Extension – Putnam County  
Attn. MG Scholarship  
12 Central Square  
Greencastle, IN 46135

Questions can be addressed to [smith535@purdue.edu](mailto:smith535@purdue.edu).

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

High school \_\_\_\_\_

Name of your guidance counselor \_\_\_\_\_

Work telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the college/university you will attend \_\_\_\_\_

Address of the bursar of the college/university you will attend

Your GPA as of seven semesters \_\_\_\_\_ (transcript required)

Name of teacher or employer who has written your letter of recommendation

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Work telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the class/classes this teacher has taught you \_\_\_\_\_

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Name any gardening- or agriculture-related clubs or organizations to which you belong and describe activities or events in which you have participated. (These may be school related or independent of school.)

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Name any gardening- or agriculture-related awards you have received.

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Name any gardening- or agriculture-related classes you have taken or are now taking in school.

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Signature

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Date

On separate paper, answer these three questions. Please type your answers.

1. What degree will you pursue, and why have you chosen this field of study? What sort of work would you like to do in the future?
2. Describe any work experience you have had with agriculture, gardening, landscape, etc. You may include either paid work or unpaid volunteer work. Also describe any relevant training, workshops, or classes outside of school.
3. What do you perceive to be a major challenge to American agriculture or gardening today, and how does this challenge affect the future of your community?