

Morris Area Garden Club

2025-2026 Scholarship Application

Scholarship Candidates: The Morris Area Garden Club wants to recognize a student pursuing a field of study aligned with the club's interest. Eligible seniors seeking college or vocational schooling in relevant fields of study including Agricultural Education, Agricultural Engineering, Agriculture, Botany/Plant Biology, Earth Systems, Environment & Society, Ecology/Conservation/Environmental Biology, Environmental Studies, Forestry/Conservation, Horticulture/Ornamental Horticulture, Landscape Architecture, Plant & Soil Sciences, and Plant Breeding are eligible for the MAGC Scholarship.

Scholarship Details:

Award amount: \$500

Number of scholarships offered: 1

Application deadline: March 1, 2026

Winners notified: At your local Honors/Awards Assembly

Scholarship money will be awarded to the winning student after submitting evidence of successful completion of a semester of studies in the 2026-2027 school year (a copy of the student's grades is acceptable).

Scholarship Criteria: Must be a graduating senior at a high school located in Grundy County, a high school educating Grundy County students, or a homeschooled student living in Grundy County. Eligible schools are Coal City High School, Dwight Township High School, Families of Faith Christian Academy, Gardner-South Wilmington High School, Minooka Community High School, Morris Community High School, Newark Community High School, Premier Academy and Seneca Township High School.

The winner must enroll in a vocational training program or institute of higher learning as a full-time student with a major in one of the above fields during the 2026-2027 school year.

Application requirements:

- Complete the application form by typing or using a black pen.
- Answer each of the seven essay questions with at least 1-3 hand written or typed sentences. You may either use our form or a separate sheet of paper.
- Attach a letter of recommendation from a teacher or leader who can comment on your interests and strengths in your area of interest.

Submitting your application: Return your application form, essay questions and recommendation letter to your guidance counselor. Home-schooled students will return materials to Anthony Warmack, Communications & Marketing Program Coordinator, Grundy County Extension, 4004 N. Division Street, Morris, IL 60450.

Student representatives will forward the application materials to Cathy Andrjeski, 2705 Meadow Drive, Morris, IL. 60450, for award consideration.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

High School: _____

Graduation Date: _____ G.P.A.: _____

Intended School: _____

Have you applied? _____ Have you been accepted? _____

Major/Minor: _____

Parents' Names: _____

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Please print or type your answers to the following questions on either our form or a separate sheet. Each question should be answered in 1-3 sentences, more at your discretion.

1. In which area of the specific field are you interested?

2. Explain how you became interested in your specific field?

3. What is your career goal?

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4. Which was your favorite class, and what did you like best about it?

5. Describe any high school or community classes you have completed in the field of interest.

6. Describe any paid or unpaid work experience you have in the field of interest.

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7. How will your education be financed?

☐ If I am selected as a recipient, I hereby give my permission to use my name, picture, narrative, and the fact that I was awarded a scholarship for promotional purposes.

☐ I hereby give permission to the selection committee to use copies of grades in my file as criteria, during and after the selection process; all will be kept on file for one year for future reference.

☐ I certify that the information contained in this application and any accompanying documents are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____

Date: _____