

Norristown Garden Club Scholarship Rules and Information

1. Scholarships are awarded annually to college students who plan to further their education in:

Agricultural Education Environmental Concerns Horticulture Plant Pathology Agronomy Conservation Land Management Other Related Fields Botany Floriculture Landscape Architecture

- 2. Residents of Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, or Philadelphia counties In Pennsylvania enrolled in full-time, horticulture-related programs are encouraged to apply. Non-residents will be considered if attending a full-time, horticulture-related program at an academic institution in the above-mentioned Pennsylvania counties.
- 3. Several scholarships, not less than \$2,000, are available in amounts to be determined by the Norristown Garden Club.
- 4. As long as high academic standards are maintained and need is apparent, a student is eligible to reapply for a scholarship the following year.
- 5. Scholarships will be distributed by the treasurer of the NGC to the financial aid office of the student's chosen school to be applied to the students' tuition.
- 6. The judging panel uses the following formula to judge scholarship applications:

Academics	40%
Applicant's Personal Letter and Letters of Recommendation	25%
Financial Need	20%
Extracurriculars, Honors and Achievements	10%
Recommendation of Norristown Garden Club Member	5%

- 7. Applications may be obtained at the Norristown Garden Club website: https://www.norristowngardenclub.org/scholarships
- 8. Application must be received **no later than April 15**.

- 9. Current forms *(revised 10/2024)* must be used.
- 10. All applications must include the following sent at the same time:
 - □ An official Norristown Garden Club Scholarship application.
 - □ A typed letter (no more than one page) from the applicant stating personal background, special interests, personal commitment, financial need, and future goals.
 - An official transcript of academic records including the latest grading period.
 - □ Three (3) letters of recommendation, one in each of the following categories: Scholastic/Academic, Character, Financial/Work-related.
- 11. Please send completed applications with all supporting materials attached to the Norristown Garden Club Scholarship Chairperson before the deadline (April 15):

Mrs. Pamela McAnulty NGC Scholarship Chair 34 Traverse Drive Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462 Email: pamghi@yahoo.com

- 12. Please note: If you are selected as a Norristown Garden Club Scholarship Award recipient, we request your attendance at the club's June meeting (the second Wednesday of the month at 1 p.m.) for our award presentation ceremony. The meeting will be held at Fairview Village Church, 3044 W. Germantown Pike, Eagleville, PA 19403.
- All applicants will be notified regarding their application status in early June. Recipients' awards will be sent directly to their college's financial aid offices by the NGC treasurer.

Thank you for your interest in the Norristown Garden Club Scholarship program. If you have any questions, please reach out to our chairperson at pamphi@yahoo.com or visit the Norristown Garden Club website at https://www.norristowngardenclub.org.