

West Virginia Garden Club
Incorporated



November, 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

Enclosed you will find a Scholarship Application from the West Virginia Garden Club, Inc. We offer a \$500.00 Scholarship to students majoring in some form of Horticulture or Environmental Studies. The Scholarship is offered to high school seniors and the students must have a 3.25 grade point average or higher.

The Scholarship is made possible by a donation from a longtime member, Esther Hinchman.

The deadline to apply is February 1, 2022, which I realize is several months away, but we wanted to make sure all students are made aware of the Scholarship offer.

We have made some changes to our Scholarship so please make sure the information you are giving out is the 2021-22 information.

The student must be sponsored by a West Virginia Garden Club. Our Committee will provide the sponsoring garden club, once we receive your application and we know what area of West Virginia the student lives in.

If you have any questions you may contact us at the email or phone number listed below.

Thank you in advance for distributing our Scholarship Information to your students. We look forward to receiving many applications.

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WVGCI Scholarship Chairman
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WEST VIRGINIA GARDEN CLUBS, INC.
INFORMATION AND OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM
FOR 2021-2022 (Academic year)
ESTHER J. HINCHMAN SCHOLARSHIP

The Esther J. Hinchman Scholarship is a \$500 Scholarship to be awarded to a
West Virginia High School Senior Applicant, planning to attend college (in state or out)

DEADLINE FOR APPLYING IS FEBRUARY 1, 2022

REQUIREMENTS: The student must plan to major in some form of Environmental Studies:
Horticulture, Landscape Design, Forestry, Botany, Conservation, Land Management,
Environmental Concerns, Geology, or related subjects.

West Virginia Garden Club Inc. will forward the funds, in the winner's name, to the university
or college of his/her choice, for books and tuition. The West Virginia Garden Club Scholarship

Committee will use the following criteria to choose a winner:

Academic Advancement.....30%

Need.....30%

Character.....15%

Career Commitment.....15%

Variety of School & Community Involvement.....10%

The student must be sponsored by a West Virginia Garden Club.

Applicant must complete the full application, enclose an official record of high school grades,
any letters of recommendation, and write a minimum 250 word typed document. The document
should list the applicant's purpose for applying, goals, and any background information, that
might help the committee with the above criteria (school activities, community involvement,
financial need, personal commitment, etc.) It is not necessary to submit a photograph.

Scholarship Applications should be mailed to:

Judy Guye, Scholarship Chairman

107 Sylvester Drive, Elkins, WV 26241

Applications are available from any West Virginia Garden Club
District Director or Club President.

WVGCI ESTHER J. HINCHMAN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Academic Year **2021-2022**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

FULL NAME _____

MONTH AND DAY OF BIRTH _____

MALE _____ FEMALE _____ MARRIED _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

HIGH SCHOOL NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PRINCIPAL _____

PHONE NUMBER _____ EMAIL _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION _____

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY—PLANNING TO ATTEND _____

MAJOR _____ MINOR _____

OCCUPATIONAL OBJECTIVE AFTER GRADUATION _____

*Application form, along with grade transcript, personal 250 word letter, written by the applicant, and any letters of recommendation **must be sent in one packet** to: Judy Guye, WVGCI Scholarship Chairman, 107 Sylvester Drive, Elkins, WV 26241*

Sponsoring Garden Club _____

(if you don't know, leave blank and the committee will fill in)

RELEASE FOR PUBLICATION: WVGCI has permission, yes _____ no _____, to include my name, photos, school major, and college/university attending, in the WVGCI Garden News and local newspapers.

Your local paper _____ fax _____

email _____

DATE _____

(applicant's signature)