

FAQ's Frequently Asked Questions

Q – I don't know a PGMS member, how do I find one to sponsor me?

A – Call or e-mail association headquarters at pgms@assnhqtrs.com, or contact your regional director. They will provide you with contact information for a member that can assist you. You don't have to personally know a PGMS member to be sponsored, but you may be asked to provide your transcript, and a resume to familiarize themselves with you. It's a great way to network for both parties!

Q – How much is awarded each year and how many recipients are there?

A – PGMS awards over \$6,000 every year, and that amount increases by 5% annually. The number of recipients is up to the discretion of the judges.



**Application Deadline is
January 1ST**

PGMS Member Contact Information:

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Membership Benefits



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As a member in good standing, one of our greatest benefits is to promote our profession. This is an incredible opportunity we have every year. Each year the PGMS scholarship committee awards monetary scholarships to students in horticulture or related fields. Applicants must be at least in their first year of college or may be recently graduated from high school (within the calendar year). The top recipient will also have the opportunity to attend the GIE+Expo in Louisville in the autumn. PGMS will pay for the scholarship recipients' conference registration and a travel allowance as well.

As we interact with the professionals of tomorrow in the work place and on campus, this is a great member benefit to promote PGMS and professionalism in our industry.

What are the criteria?

The applicant must be a current student of horticulture or a related field, must be sponsored by a PGMS member and will need to submit a cover letter and resume. The applicant will also need to submit their current college transcript, and two letters of reference.



What the scholarship selection committee looks for:

An active student with solid grades and past or current employment in the green industry, involvement in the industry with apprentice or professional organizations, such as FFA, 4H, state or county programs, as well as civic projects and outreach programs. The committee also looks for any personal development classes and any involvement in sports or clubs.

Here's what past scholarship recipients have said:

Michael Loftus, University of Delaware, Landscape Architecture,

"Winning the scholarship has allowed me to participate in collegiate life in ways that were not possible. I participated in a study abroad program in Brazil. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity".

Vince Muti, Bergen County Community College, Professional Studies Horticulture,

"This scholarship has helped me fulfill my requirements for my professional studies degree." Vince is a fulltime Supervisor in one of the nicest parks in Bergen County, NJ.

