

2005 VMGA, INC

Educational Endowment Fund Master Gardener College Scholarships

VMGA seeks to award scholarships to those deserving members who through their dedicated efforts of volunteerism and VCE goals have demonstrated exceptional leadership potential or significant contributions in their respective Units. Additional criteria are included on the application form. All VCE Master Gardeners planning to attend MG College 2005 can be considered for these scholarships.

Nomination Criteria and Application Form

Nomination Criteria

**Nominations: Units may nominate two candidates each year
Selection method is up to individual units
No explanation of selection required**

Eligibility/selection criteria:

- Potential nominees**
 - VMGA members**
 - Unit leaders**
 - Members who demonstrate future potential**
 - Financial need**
 - Minorities**
 - Young Adults**
 - Role models, actual, potential**
 - Individuals with desire to continue contributing**
 - New VCE MG's (less than 100 hours)**
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- Vary by local Unit needs and goals**
- Willingness to report MG College experience to local Unit, VMGA Newsletter and to State Coordinator**

Scholarship Committee:

Composed of several VMGA members, some who have received the scholarships.

-Insures nominees' eligibility

-selects candidates and alternates based on the guidance by the Executive Board

-presents recommendations for Scholarships to the Executive Board for final approval

Additional Details:

Purpose of the Scholarships

Assistance for VMGA members to attend MG College 2005

Further the VMGA goals of providing Continuing Education

Increase the number of attendees at MG College

Award Guidelines

VMGA Budget line item (Diane Relf Education Endowment Fund)

VMGA member may only receive one scholarship in a lifetime

VMGA free of any personal liability

Winner bears any tax liability, if any

Educational Endowment Fund Application Form:

Use this form to nominate Master Gardener volunteers for the VMGA scholarship to the 2005 VCE Master Gardener College. Information and guidelines concerning the scholarships, which have been previously adopted by the VMGA Board of Directors, can be found below.

You are requested to copy and paste the nomination information into an E-mail and complete the form electronically. This information will be forwarded to the other Committee members for discussion and voting on the nominees. Completed applications should be forwarded to the Committee Chair, Paul Campbell at Panda91@cox.net or 1800 East Road, Virginia Beach, Va. 23454. Applications must be received by 20 May 2005.

Required Information:

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

E-mail, if available:

VCE Unit:

VCE Agent/ Unit Coordinator:

Will the nominee be attending MG College 2005?

Will this be the first time to MG College for the nominee?

**Is the nominee a member of VMGA? (Preference will be given to VMGA members.)
Applications for joining are on the website.**

What leadership role (Committee Chair, Team leader, activity or project head,etc) has the nominee held as a MG volunteer and/or how does this person demonstrate the potential to hold future leadership roles?

How many career service hours has the nominee contributed?

**Are there additional criteria, which the individual would like to be considered?
Financial need, minority, other. (Confidentiality assured.)**

**How will the awarding of this scholarship and attendance at MG College 2005
enhance the efforts of the local Unit?**

**Additional information that the nominee may wish to be considered by the
Committee.**

**All applications forms must be submitted via the local VCE Extension Agent or Unit
Coordinator.**

**Selected nominees will be notified by E-mail or Phone by the Chairman of the
Committee by 10 June 2005.**

**Scholarship checks will be presented to the selectees at the Annual VMGA meeting
on Saturday 25 June 2005.**