

THE INDEPENDENCE GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP
THROUGH THE INDEPENDENCE DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS PROGRAM
Class of 20____ (revised October 2011)

The Independence Garden Club is offering a one-time award of a \$300.00 scholarship to a senior student graduating from Jefferson High School in Independence, Iowa.

The amount of the scholarship or number of scholarships provided may vary from year to year and may be omitted if monies are not available.

The application deadline is established by the Dollars for Scholars Committee.

ELIGIBILITY:

Students demonstrating involvement in school activities and in the community.

Students with a 3.0 grade point average and leadership qualities.

Students planning to attend any accredited institution of higher education in Iowa (i.e. Jr. College, Community College, Technical College, College or University.)

Students must plan to major in Horticulture, Floral Design, Landscape/Garden Design, Plant pathology, Entomology, Botany, Agronomy, Animal Ecology, Forestry or some related field.

The student must have submitted a completed application form to Dollars for Scholars with this application form by the deadline they have established.

PROCESS:

During the selection process your name will not be known. Applications from qualifying students will be compiled by the Independence Dollars for Scholars Committee and given to three members of the Independence Garden Club. They will individually rate the applications and return them to the Dollars for Scholars Committee. When the recipient's name is known, they (and their parents) are welcome to attend one of the Garden Club meetings for a social time and to have you give an informal discussion about yourself and future plans, if your schedule allows.

Within one full academic year and upon completion of the first semester or quarter, the recipient is responsible to have a copy of their transcript sent to the Independence Dollars for Scholars Committee.

If the recipient's grades are satisfactory, a check for the \$300.00 scholarship is sent to the appropriate institution in the recipient's name, from the Independence Dollars for Scholars fund. Each individual school determines additional or matching monies. If the recipient does not complete these requirements, the money will be held in reserve with the Independence Dollars for Scholars fund until another individual is eligible and selected the following year.

APPLICATION FOR THE INDEPENDENCE GARDEN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP
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NAME (to be removed by staff)

In the space below or on a separate piece of paper complete the following information and attach it to the completed Dollars for Scholars Application form.

1. List the name, location and dates of attendance of ALL High Schools you have attended.
2. Have school officials attach to this application form a record of your
School attendance
GPA and
Class ranking, without your name.
3. Provide a letter of recommendation, preferably from a faculty member that does NOT state your name.
4. List your school-related organizations and extracurricular activities. Note if you had a leadership role.
5. List your involvement in community activities during your high school years. Note any leadership roles.
6. List your hobbies or special interests not listed above.
7. List job experiences (after school-summer) and how that has impacted your career choice.
8. Give the name and location of the school that you plan to attend.
9. State your career goals and time frame to achieve them.
10. State how this scholarship will help meet your needs, why you should be considered for it and any special financial circumstances we should be aware of.