



# 8<sup>th</sup> District MSHS 2026 Scholarship APPLICATION

**\*\*Must be received by March 15, 2026**

## 1. Applicant Information:

Last Name	First Name	E-mail	Telephone
Home Address	City	Zip Code	County
Mailing Address (If different from Home Address)		Present School	Where?
Local Newspaper – Name, Address and E-Mail			
Parents' Names (if applicable) and Address if different from yours		Their E-mail Address/Phone number	

## 2. Future Plans:

College/Technical School	Where?
Course of Study	Intended Profession/Career

## 3. Horticultural/Gardening Experience Essay:

On a separate sheet of paper, describe in a short essay (no less than 200 words) your involvement/ experiences in horticultural/gardening activities. Please do not include any photos or support materials. If you have been selected as a recipient of one of our scholarships, we ask you to send a recent photo of yourself for publicity purposes.

Examples of types of information to include in your essay:

- How long you have been gardening; who or what inspired your interest in gardening/horticulture;
- What type(s) of gardening have you been involved with (vegetable, flower, fruit, houseplants, lawn/landscape), add details;
- Employment at a greenhouse or other business connected with horticulture;
- Any community gardening activities/services (working in a community garden, sharing/donating extra produce/flowers, etc. to soup kitchens, Food Shelf, shut-ins, older neighbors, your church, etc., lawn care or gardening help for others);
- Sharing your gardening skills/knowledge by exhibiting at flower shows/fairs, demonstrations, talks, programs, helping others (younger gardeners, school projects for programs, people learning to garden);
- Plans after graduation; how do you plan to use your gardening skills in the future?

## 4. Other Information:

\*\*Please write or print information **CLEARLY!** Especially your name, mailing and E-mail addresses.

\*\*How did you learn about this scholarship?    School counselor    Newspaper    Local garden club member  
   Word of mouth    Other

\*\*How many times have you applied for one of our scholarships:    1X    2X

\*Application must be submitted and received by March 15, 2026. (Postal mail or E-mail)

**Send your completed Application and Essay to:** 8<sup>th</sup> District MSHS Scholarship, c/o Jan Dzwonkowski, Chair, 6317 Heritage Trail, Gilbert, MN 55741 Email: [jan\\_dz@myctlnet.net](mailto:jan_dz@myctlnet.net) Phone: 218/865-6018

