

Past Scholarship Recipients

Marc and Melissa Inglese Foundation

2023 - Peyton Nicole Free - Swainsboro, GA

Eric Alden Horton - Savannah, GA

James William Ross - Gray, GA

2022 - Carys Fonner - Macon, GA

Cole Kennedy - Newnan, GA

Molly McClellan - Darian, GA

Elizabeth Peters - The Rock, GA

Joseph R. Niolon, Jr. Memorial

2023 - John-Thomas Padgett Rogers, Jr. - Watkinsville, GA

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2023 - Hannah Claire Duncan - Newnan, GA

William Duane Fore - Abbeville, GA

Samuel Haygood - Marietta, GA

2022 - Lillian Niolon-Kachur - Atlanta, GA

Sydney Lawson - Hawkinsville, GA

Jordan Aldridge - East Dublin, GA

2021 - Elise Brynn Morris - Loganville, GA

Skyla Drew Morris - Loganville, GA

2020 - Pilcher Thornton- Cordele, GA

Nolan Haley - Lumber City, GA

2019 - Gracie Hunt - Monticello, GA

2018 - Madeline Wiley - Watkinsville, GA

2017 - Zane Holcomb - Plainville, GA

Anya Dunn - Winston, GA

2015 - Tyler Smith - Swainsboro, GA

Samuel Johnson - Madison, GA

The Georgia Tree Farm Scholarship program was established in 1987 to assist the dependents and grandchildren of Georgia members of the American Tree Farm System to pursue a higher education in the professional field of their choice.

Recipients are selected by the *Georgia Tree Farm Scholarship* selection committee.

The program is funded in part by the Marc and Melissa Inglese Foundation, the Joseph R. Niolon, Jr. Memorial and through contributions made by individual tree farmers of Georgia and through the Live and Silent Auction at the GFA Annual Meeting. Dr. Marc and Melissa Inglese have a certified tree farm in Grady County, Georgia. The Niolon Family has a certified tree farm in Elbert County. They are committed to the future of forestry in the state of Georgia.

This scholarship will be awarded without regard to race, color, nationality origin, age, sex, or disability.

Georgia Tree Farm

SCHOLARSHIP



2024

Georgia TREE FARM Scholarship

OBJECTIVE: To provide scholarships that can assist the legal dependents and grandchildren of Georgia members of the American Tree Farm System (American Forest Foundation) and **ACTIVE** inspectors to pursue a higher education in the field of their choice.

ADMINISTRATION: Screening and selection of the scholarship candidates will be by a Scholarship Selection Committee composed of members from the Georgia Tree Farm committee and academic faculty of a State of Georgia University system institution.

The amount of scholarship(s) will be between \$1,000.00 - \$1,500.00 for one academic year. The number of scholarships provided will depend upon available funds. The students will go to the financial aid office at the chosen college to receive the credit slip and/or funds. The scholarship funds can be used for tuition, fees, and books.

Application Instructions: Each applicant is responsible for all of the following materials being received by the Scholarship Selection Committee on or before **April 30 of each year**. Application materials received after **April 30** will not be considered for award in the coming academic year. Mailed **or electronic copies will be accepted**.

All applicants will be notified of their status by June 7 of each year.

**Only send in the following materials.
Extra pages, photos, letters etc. will be discarded.
Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

1. Completed application form.
2. One short personal reference letter. All information will be confidential.
3. A one-page essay in the applicant's own words that must include what the TREE FARM program means to you, what area of study you will pursue, at which institution, and why you decided on this particular field.
4. The most current, official transcript from the applicant's high school and/or college. The students GPA will be used to rank the applicants in case of a tie.
5. One page or less listing extracurricular activities including any significant accomplishments, awards, community service, or any work experience.

GOVERNING RULES

-Recipient must be a citizen of the United States of America, and a legal dependent or grandchild of a Georgia Tree Farmer or ACTIVE inspector.

-The Tree Farm must have been Certified in the program for 2 or more years. Inspector should have completed at least one inspection over the last 2 years.

-This Tree Farm Scholarship is awarded for a period of one academic year. The Scholarship is a non-renewable, one-time award for college bound high school seniors and college students in undergrad programs. **Checks to the school will be issued by August 1.**

-Scholarships are awarded for the purpose of attending a specific institution and may not be transferred to any other institution except by prior authorization of the Scholarship Selection Committee.

-Funds awarded to students are sent directly to the approved institution of the student's choice. The school or college must be accredited by the appropriate regional association of 2 and 4-year schools or colleges and includes accredited Technical Colleges.

GEORGIA TREE FARM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print legibly)

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

High School Graduation Date: _____

Indicate the college or university you will attend: _____

Field of study (major): _____

Indicate the term you will start college: (ie-Fall, 2024) _____

We, the undersigned have read the information concerning this scholarship and are aware of the procedures for application and award. We agree to allow, upon selection, general descriptions from the scholarship application materials to be used for promoting the Georgia Tree Farm Scholarship program.

Names of parents, grandparents or legal guardians: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

Official Georgia Tree Farm number: _____

Name of Tree Farm: _____

County where Tree Farm is located: _____

Number of years in Tree Farm program: _____

For further information and / or additional application forms, contact your state
TREE FARM Committee
Phone (478) 972-7899 email: georgiatreefarm@gmail.com
**This application is not complete until all application materials have been
received by Georgia Tree Farm Scholarship Selection Committee
1132 Clairmont Place
Macon, GA 31204**