

2026 Scholarship Guidelines



The Allamanda Garden Club of North Port, Florida, awards annual scholarships to college juniors or seniors in an undergraduate program with a GPA of 3.0 or higher, as well as graduate or doctoral students pursuing degrees in horticulture-related fields*. (College sophomores are eligible as they will be entering their junior year the following fall.)

This scholarship provides tuition assistance to students attending a college or university in the United States. **Preference will be given to students who are residents of North Port, Port Charlotte, Englewood, or Venice, Florida.**

In addition, the following guidelines will be considered:

1. A junior or senior in an undergraduate program, graduate or doctoral student at the time of the application
2. Registered as a full-time student and actively pursuing a degree in a horticulture-related field*
3. Excellence in academic and scholastic performance
4. Participation in extracurricular, leadership, and research activities related to horticulture.
5. Participation in university and community service
6. Demonstrated commitment to the horticulture science profession and related career fields
7. Related horticultural experiences

Two or more \$2,500 scholarships will be awarded, with amounts determined by profits from the annual Allamanda Garden Club's Garden Party Scholarship Fundraiser.

Application Deadline: **March 31, 2026**

Scholarships may be renewable. Students receiving scholarships are invited to reapply the following year.

Each student will receive an email confirmation when the completed application and related documents are received.

All scholarships are awarded as cash awards, with checks issued to the college or institution the student will attend in the fall. No funds will be sent directly to the student. Each student who has won a scholarship will receive a notification letter by email. Scholarship decisions will be made by April 15th of each year.

Applicants will be judged on the following:

Aptitude in the field of horticulture
Academic record
Avocational interests and vocational potential
Character

To apply for the Allamanda Garden Club Scholarship, submit the following documents by email to: info@AllamandaGardenClub.com or by postal mail to: Allamanda Garden Club, PO Box 7975, North Port, Florida 34290

- Application form
- Two letters of recommendation – Preferably one from a teacher evaluating you as a student and one from an employer evaluating you as a worker.
- Transcripts from schools you have attended. Transcripts do not need to be official.
- An essay outlining your reasons for choosing a career in a horticulture-related field and your plan for achieving those goals. (500 -1,000 words)

Scholarship Recipients will be notified by **April 15, 2026**

For more information, contact Scholarship Chairperson, Lisa Colburn:

Email: info@AllamandaGardenClub.com

Call: (207) 404-3494

*Including but not limited to:

- Horticulture
- Floriculture
- Agriculture
- Environmental Studies
- Climate Change Science
- Arboriculture
- Urban Forestry
- Agribusiness with an emphasis in Plant Science
- Plant or Seed Physiology or Pathology
- Plant Science, Soil Science
- Landscape Design or Architecture
- Coastal Wetlands Studies
- Conservation and Ecological Restoration
- Pollinator Research
- Botany