The New England Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture (NEC-ISA) is pleased to offer a scholarship for high school students entering a two or four-year program in arboriculture, urban forestry, or related fields.

Trees are a critical resource in New England – essential to daily life whether you are in a big city or a small town. The Green Industry in New England is vibrant and growing—and there is a place for YOU! This is a multi-billion industry in the United States and offers exciting opportunities for those who want to pursue a career in the field—and some of the highest-paying states in the industry are right here in New England!

At the same time, having a professional workforce is critical. In that spirit, the NEC-ISA is offering a $2,000 scholarship for graduating high school seniors who will be attending a two or four-year college program, pursuing a degree in Arboriculture, Botany, Entomology, Horticulture, Plant Pathology, Urban Forestry, or a related field. The recipients are also provided with a full annual conference registration, one night lodging, and two complimentary banquet tickets for an accompanying guest.

Approved applicants must show successful completion of the first semester of school with a minimum 2.0 GPA (on a 4-point scale).

We are looking for applicants who:

- Are enrolled full-time at an accredited four-year or two-year college or university for the fall term.
- Are pursuing a degree in Arboriculture, Botany, Entomology, Horticulture, Plant Pathology, Urban Forestry, or a related field.
- Are attending college or university in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, or Vermont OR are residents of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, or Vermont attending college or university outside New England.

We evaluate applications on a variety of criteria, including need, high school GPA, personal statement, and letter of recommendation.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** APRIL 1, 2019

Questions? Email Mollie Freilicher, Scholarship Chair at secretary@newenglandisa.org or call 413-577-2966.

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NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER
INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ARBORICULTURE
HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP
2019 APPLICATION FORM

Applicant Name ________________________________________________

Home Address __________________________________________________

Home Phone ( )__________________ Cell Phone ( )__________________

E-mail __________________________________________________________

Intended major __________________________________________________

Name of College or University ____________________________________

City, State _______________________________________________________

Are you presently receiving any financial aid (including scholarships)?
   Yes ____ No ____

If yes, what kind and amount? ____________________________________
_________________________________________________________________

What percentage of educational expenses (i.e. tuition, board, etc.) will you be
earning yourself? ______%

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS – DEADLINE APRIL 1
☐ Apply online or by paper application
☐ Completed application (this page)
☐ Personal statement—1-2 pages (500-750 words) which should include:
   A. Experiences or factors that have inspired your interest in the industry
   B. Employment history and personal accomplishments
   C. How the scholarship will benefit your education and career goals
☐ One reference
   • Can be from faculty member, high school guidance teacher, current or
     past employer.
   • Reference must be sent directly to the NEC-ISA by the person
     providing reference, under separate cover.
   • Use the reference form provided (next page).
☐ High school transcript

Mail application items to:
NEC-ISA
P.O. Box 435
Norwell, MA 02061

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2019 APPLICATION – REFERENCE FORM
TO BE COMPLETED BY ACADEMIC OR PROFESSIONAL REFERENCE

Applicant Name ____________________________________________________________

Reference Name __________________________________________________________

School/Company/Institution ________________________________________________

Address ___________________________________________________________________

Your relationship to Applicant:
__Teacher/Instructor           __Employer (Current or Past)
__Guidance Counselor          __Other (please specify)

Please rate the applicant on the following characteristics:

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