

High School Essay Contest

The High School Essay Contest is open to all High School students.

Each year a **\$1,000 NGC Scholarship** will be awarded to the National Winner.

2010

“Respect the World Around Us”

The rules are in the Fall issue of The National Gardener in the odd numbered year, on the NGC website www.gardenclub.org and are available from the National and Regional Essay Contest Chairmen.

Length of essay: Between 500-600 words. The entry will be penalized if the essay does not conform to the required length. All words are to be counted. Students should write the essay so it is suitable to be published in the NGC publication, The National Gardener.

Eligibility: Contests are open to High School students attending 9th through 12th grades. The contest must be sponsored by: single garden club, group of member clubs, councils or districts; or a State Garden Club. All entries become the property of National Garden Clubs, Inc

Scale of Points:

- Content - 65
- Knowledge of Subject - 25
- Practicality of Proposal - 10
- Originality - 15
- Subject Material Well Organized/Clarity of Presentation - 15
- Composition - 25
- Vocabulary - 15
- Conformance to Length - 10
- Manuscript - 10
- Wallet-size Photo, Name, Address, Phone number
- School Attended, Grade, List of Activities, Sponsoring Club - 5
- Neatness - Legibility (keep in a plastic display folder) - 5

2011

“The Environment:
Our Personal Responsibility”

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A \$1000 NGC scholarship will be awarded to the National Winner. If the Winner is an underclassmen, the \$1000 Scholarship will be held by NGC, *without interest*, until that the student enters college. At that time, the money will be forwarded to the Financial Aid Officer of the college that the student will enter. The second place winner will receive \$100.

Club entries are to be sent to the state chairman:

Jill Martin
Windham Garden Club
10 Field Road
Windham, NH 03087
NHsewlady@myfairpoint.net

By **November 1**, 2009 or 2010.

State entries must be sent to the NER Scholarship Chairman:

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84 North Road
Saundertown, RI 02874
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By **January 1**, 2010, or 2011