Peaks & Prairies Golf Course Superintendents Association
Scholarship Application Booklet

General

The Peaks & Prairies GCSA Scholarship Program was developed to recognize outstanding students planning careers in golf course management. The Peaks & Prairies Golf Course Superintendents Association, at their discretion, administer the awards and determines the dollar amounts each year.

The Peaks & Prairies GCSA Scholarship Committee will review applications. All decisions of the committee will be final. Scholarship recipients will be announced during the Peaks & Prairies GCSA Fall Meeting & Trade Show and the scholarship check, with a letter of acknowledgement, will be mailed by November 30. All scholarship award checks will be made payable to the applicant.

Eligibility

1. Applicant must be a current member of the Peaks & Prairies GCSA.
2. The student must be studying a field related to golf course management or golf course maintenance.
3. The student must be enrolled full-time at an accredited institution of higher learning, have completed at least the freshman term and have at least a 3.0 GPA in their major and a 2.5 average overall.
4. The applicant must have a minimum of one (1) season of employment in golf course maintenance.
5. Past winners are eligible to apply the following year.
6. Children of Peaks & Prairies GCSA members are eligible to apply and receive this award, but are limited to a total of one association scholarship award a year.
7. Although any number of students from the same family may apply, only one student per family will be eligible to receive an award.

Criteria for Selection

1. Applicants will be evaluated based on academic skill, potential to become a leading professional, employment history, extracurricular activities and the recommendation of a previous superintendent and a current academic adviser.
2. Financial need is not a factor in the selection.
3. In the event that the Scholarship Committee feels there are no qualified applicants during any given year, the award may be withheld during that year.

How to apply

1. Application must be typed, dated and signed.
2. College transcripts bearing the university or school embossed seal, must be sent directly by the school to the Peaks & Prairies GCSA office, and must be received in the mail no later than September 20.
3. The person giving the reference must send personal reference letters directly to the Peaks & Prairies GCSA office.
4. Completed application form must be received in the Peaks & Prairies GCSA office no later than September 20.
5. Send packet to:

Peaks & Prairies GCSA
Scholarship Committee – Scholarship Application
P.O. Box 807, Lolo, MT 59847-0807
The Peaks & Prairies GCSA Scholarship Application

Applicant’s Statement
(Please type the entire form, complete all information and attach additional sheets as necessary.)

Section 1

Name ________________________________________________ Date ___________________

Home address  ________________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip   _____________________________________  Home phone _______________

Campus name/address  __________________________________________________________
City/State/Zip   ____________________________________   Campus phone ______________

Section 2 – School information

School where you are currently enrolled ____________________________________________

Current major _________________________________________________________________

Name of advisor   ______________________________________________________________

Current program:    ______two-year certificate     ____ associate degree   ____ bachelor degree

Date you plan to complete this degree: _____ Month    _____ Year

Cumulative GPA for your major field of study _______ Cumulative college GPA _______

List in chronological order high schools attended, and/or colleges attended.

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* If pending, please indicate the date you expect to graduate.
Section 3

Have you ever been dismissed from a school or placed on academic probation? ________
If so, what school and why? ______________________________________________________
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Do you qualify for instate tuition? __Yes __No  Your approximate cost for tuition? ________

List any academic distinctions and honors you have received during high school or college:
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List school or college activities in which you have participated. Please note any honors or
distinctions you have received:
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List your activities outside of school or school or college (clubs, organizations, community,
etc.):
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Section 4

List any offices held in school or community organizations:
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List any other scholarships awarded:

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Please give the name(s) and address(es) of your local and school newspaper(s):
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Section 5 – Employment history

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Section 6 – Essay

1. Why do you want to pursue a career in golf course maintenance/management? (100 words or less)

2. What have you done to prepare yourself for this career? (100 words or less)
Section 6 - continued

3. What do you expect from a career in golf course maintenance/management? (100 words or less)

I certify the information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand the committee’s decision will be final. Peaks & Prairies GCSA reserves the right to reprint the essay portion in The Perfect Lie newsletter.

Signature of applicant __________________________________ Date _____________________
Golf Course Superintendent’s Report
This report is to be completed by a golf course superintendent for whom you have worked.

Please print clearly or type this report.

Applicant _________________________________________________________________________________

Question 1
From your observation, please describe this applicant’s leadership and professional qualities.
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Question 2
Please describe this applicant’s ambition, motivation and work ethic towards his/her current job.
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Name: ___________________________________________ Date: __________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Telephone number: _________________________

Golf Course: __________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: _______________________________________________________________________

Please enclose this report in a sealed envelope and return direct to the Peaks & Prairies GCSA, P.O. Box 807, Lolo, MT, 59847-0807. This report must be completed and received by the Peaks & Prairies GCSA by September 20.
Academic Advisor’s Report

Please print clearly or type this report.

Applicant _________________________________________________________________________________

Has the applicant been a superior, good, indifferent or poor citizen of the school? ______________________
Does the applicant intend to pursue golf course maintenance/management as a career?__________________
What is the student’s class ranking? ______________________ in a class of ____________________________
(highest is 1) (number in class)

Please describe the applicant’s leadership qualities, professional potential and his/her ability to work
independently.

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Please describe the applicant’s classroom ambition, motivation and work ethic towards their chosen career.

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I do ________   do not ________ recommend that this student be granted this scholarship

Name: ____________________________________________ Date: ________________

Signature: _________________________________________ Telephone number: ____________________

School: _________________________________________________________________________________

City/State/Zip: ____________________________________________________________________________

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