



Galveston Bay Area Chapter - Texas Master Naturalist

Scholarship Application

The Galveston Bay Area Chapter of Texas Master Naturalist is an organization that is sponsored by Texas Parks and Wildlife and Texas A & M Agrilife Extension Agencies. The organization is a group of community scientists whose mission is to preserve and restore our area's natural resources and to educate others about our local ecosystems. Part of our outreach in education is to provide two (\$2,000) scholarships to students who are enrolled or will be enrolled in an accredited institution of higher learning or trade school in the fall of 2023. Applicants who have been engaged in natural resource conservation, restoration, and/or education will be strongly considered. This application is also posted on our website: Galveston Bay Area Chapter – Galveston Bay Area Master Naturalist Chapter (<https://txmn.org/gbm/>).

Section 1:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Current School: _____ Current GPA: _____

College/University/Other to attend: _____

Area of study interest: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Section 2:

The applicant will write an essay of 1,000 words or less, addressing an area of concern for the natural environment of the Galveston Bay and/or Gulf coast area. **Applicant should address the following Essay Prompt.** (Please avoid including any personal or identifying information.)

- **What do you see as a concern for the natural environment of the Texas Gulf coast? Why do you think this is a concern? What solutions do you propose and what would be your role in mitigating the problem?**

The essay will be judged on originality, clarity of problem, suggested solutions, and relationship to the prompt. The essay should follow Standard English grammar and punctuation.

Section 3:

List and describe any volunteer community service activities in which you have participated during your high school years.

Note: Your application should include **all three sections**. Please send an email and mail a hard copy of your completed application to:

Email: Julie.Massey@ag.tamu.edu

Mailing Address: Julie Massey
Galveston County Distinguished Agent-Coastal & Marine Resources
Texas Sea Grant | Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service
4102 B Main Street (FM 519)
La Marque, Texas 77568

Dates to remember: **Application Deadline: May 22, 2023**
Students notified: May 31, 2023

Please Note: The \$2,000 scholarship will be paid directly to the education institution that the winner will attend. The winner must provide to the scholarship coordinator, Ms. Julie Massey, the name/address of the comptroller of their institution so that the scholarship funds can be sent to the school.

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