## NEBRASKA ARBORISTS ASSOCIATION

Continuing Education Scholarship Application

NAA Continuing Education Scholarship funds are available to help offset the costs of attendance at NAA events, conferences or training events so designated by the Board. Scholarship funds may be used to cover the registration fees (less 25% of the event cost) for NAA training events and up to \$20 for travel expenses. Scholarship applications must be received at the NAA office <u>60 days prior to the requested event</u>. Applications may be awarded after the deadline if funds are available.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

Name:				
Last	First		Middle Initial	
Address:	City	State	Zip	
Home telephone: ()	Work telephone: ()	=	_	
Email:				

WORK EXPERIENCE– Please list your current employment and any other relevant work experience.EmployerApprox. Dates of Employment

<u>ACADEMIC HONORS</u> – Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have been awarded in high school and/or college:

- <u>LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION</u> A letter of recommendation from your current employer or an instructor <u>must be included with this application</u>. The applicant must also attach a brief statement about how he/she would benefit from receiving a scholarship.
- If selected for a scholarship, the attendee must complete a report of what they learned at the event. This information must be submitted to the NAA immediately following the event.

## **SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS**

Event rec	uesting	NAA	Schola	arship	for:

Applicant requests travel reimbursement up to 20 at the current IRS rate.  $\Box$  Yes  $\Box$  No

□ Application Fee (25% of event NAA member registration fee) is enclosed. (This fee will be applied to the registration fee if approved. Fee is nonrefundable if scholarship is awarded).

□ \_\_\_\_\_ (Month/Year) Certification Application Fee Waived if completed within one (1) year.

Signature:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **NAA Scholarship Guidelines**

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- NAA Continuing Education Scholarship funds are available to help offset the costs of attendance at NAA events, conferences or training events so designated by the NAA Board.
- Scholarship applications must be received at the NAA office <u>a minimum of 60 days prior to the requested</u> <u>event</u>.
- Applicants for a Continuing Education scholarship may be: 1) any student currently enrolled in a trade school or college studying horticulture or arboricultural related field with interest in tree care; or 2) individuals new to the tree care industry or working to obtain their Certified Arborist accreditation. A letter of recommendation from the applicant's instructor and/or employer must be submitted with the application.
- Individuals who wish to be considered for this scholarship must submit a one-page application
  provided by the NAA <u>and</u> attach a brief statement about how the applicant would benefit from
  receiving a scholarship.
- Immediately after the event, scholarship recipients are asked to submit an attendee evaluation and a short report of what they learned at the event.
- Applications must be received at the NAA office 60 days prior to the designated event. The NAA Conference/Workshop Committee will review the Continuing Education Scholarship applications and recommend the recipients. The recommendations will then be forwarded to the NAA President and Treasurer for approval. If the President is unavailable, the President-Elect or Past President may serve in this capacity.
- The applicant is responsible for 25% of the event NAA member cost and shall be submitted with the scholarship application. This fee is nonrefundable if the scholarship is awarded. If the applicant is not selected for a scholarship, the applicant fee will be returned to the applicant. If, for any reason, the scholarship recipient does not attend the designated event, the application fee will not be refunded.
- The scholarship amount shall cover the events, conference or training event fee at the member rate. In addition, mileage reimbursement at the current IRS allowable rate up to \$20 is available to scholarship recipients.
- The Certification Fee will be waived if scholarship recipient becomes eligible for submission of the application within one year of scholarship application.