

Michigan Gem and Mineral Society P.O. Box 633 Michigan Center, Michigan 49254

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Dear Science Teacher, Counselor, or Principal:

The Michigan Gem and Mineral Society is dedicated to furthering the education of our youth. Our scholarship award is \$1000.00 each, awarding from one to three scholarships to graduating seniors from Jackson County High Schools (and bordering counties). It is our intention to continue to provide these scholarships in future years.

The Michigan Gem and Mineral Society's Officers, and the Scholarship Committee will select the winners of these scholarships. If no applicant is considered acceptable, the scholarships will be retained by the Michigan Gem and Mineral Society.

Please distribute the letter and application to students who are in need of these scholarships and plan to go into a field of Earth Science or Lapidary Arts. Please feel free to make copies as needed. Applications may also be downloaded from our website at <u>www.mgmsrockclub.com</u>. We appreciate your help.

The application must be postmarked by February 20, 2024.

These Earth Science fields include, but are not strictly limited to studies in Geology, Lapidary Arts, and Mineralogy. Additional areas in the broad field of Earth Sciences that will also be considered include, but are not limited to: Geophysics, Oceanography, Marine Biology, Forensics, Green Technologies, Astronomy, Meteorology, Chemistry, Metal Smithing, Gemology, Lapidary Arts, Metallurgy, or others in the Earth Science field.

Other related fields, where the student's essay successfully makes a case for the area of study's connection to Earth Science will be considered. For example, students interested in Teaching, (Including Elementary Education and Art), Engineering, Health Care, or Research and Technology, and are seeking degrees, training, or certification in the any of the above fields, are also invited to apply.

Qualified recipients will be notified during the first week of March, 2024, and awards will be given during our Annual Gem and Mineral Show, held at the Jackson County Fairground (Keeley Park) American 1 Event Center, 128 W Ganson St, Jackson MI 49201, March 15-17, 2024.

Michigan Gem and Mineral Society Scholarship Committee