STIHL, INC.
PARTNERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

Application for the Maintenance Management School
at
Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia
conducted by
North Carolina State University
The National Recreation and Park Association
The Oglebay National Training Center

This application is for a continuing education scholarship provided by STIHL, Inc., to provide financial assistance to the recipient for costs to attend the Maintenance Management School (The School). Travel coordination to this school and time away from the job must be arranged by the recipient. The Scholarship(s) will be award by the Board of Regents Scholarship Committee.

The School, internationally recognized and attended, is the premier source of professional development in the industry. Its graduates are among the most successful professionals with outstanding park, recreation and natural resources operations.

Scholarships shall be awarded for the purpose of providing opportunities to deserving recipients who provide documented need of financial assistance for professional development. Other criteria will apply.

STIHL, Inc. Partnership Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Applicants must be employed by a parks, recreation or natural resource based agency.
2. Priority will be given to applicants from agencies with a demonstrated financial need. Financial need should be demonstrated through a budget, training or travel restriction mandated by an official higher than the agency director (i.e.: county manager, mayor).
3. Applications must be accompanied by all of the following:
   a. A resume;
   b. A letter from the applicant stating rationale for seeking scholarship opportunity demonstrating the applicant's interest in furthering his or her professional skills and obtaining the most up-to-date technical and managerial education available in the parks, recreation and natural resources industry, including the commitment to attend both years of the school;
   c. Two reference letters from individuals familiar with the applicant and his/her involvement in the park and recreation field and indicating support for the applicants leadership, scholarship need, and potential for success in the field of parks and

recreation; and

4. The application must be completed in its entirety and received by October 1.
5. Applications must be mailed to: Michelle Witzberger, Manager
   Oglebay National Training Center
   465 Lodge Drive
   Wheeling, WV 26003
   OR E-mail: MWitzberger@oglebay-resort.com
   (304) 243-4162

GENERAL INFORMATION

Date:

Applicant Name:
Title:
Department or Agency
Business Address:
Business Telephone:
Cell Phone:
Home Address:
Home Telephone:
Email Address:

Name and title of immediate supervisor:
Contact Telephone:
Contact Email:

Please include:

☐ **Resume**
☐ **Letter describing the rationale for why you want to attend the School.**
☐ **Two letters of recommendation.**
Two reference letters familiar with the applicant and his/her involvement in the park and recreation field and indicating support for the applicants leadership, scholarship need, and potential for success in the field of parks and recreation.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A. Please list all funding sources, as appropriate:

Provided by applicant	$ _____
Provided by organization	$_____
Scholarship Request	$ _____

Other	$ _____
TOTAL	$ _____

B. Preferred Distribution of Scholarship:

- ☐ Room and Board Only
- ☐ Travel* Only
- ☐ Combination of Room, Board and Travel

*Travel will be reimbursed at the current U.S. Government mileage rate or airfare with coach class, same-city round-trip rate; whichever is less expensive and/or time-efficient.

APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

This application is submitted for consideration of the STIHL, Inc. Partnership Scholarship Award for attendance to Maintenance Management School. I have approval from my current employer to attend the school. If selected, I plan to attend this program in _____ (year). I understand that this application is for one year only and does not guarantee an automatic second year award.

Signature of Applicant_____ **Date**_____