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Aiken Master Gardeners Announce their 2019 Scholarships Awards

The Aiken Master Gardener Association is pleased to announce the winners of its 2019 scholarships. Scholarships were given to Justin Snipes and Bryson Thompson.

Justin intends to study mechanical engineering with a minor in agricultural mechanization at Clemson University. His award for \$1000 was presented at the Aiken High School's award ceremony on May 20th.

Bryson will begin his future studies at Piedmont Technical College and after one year intends to transfer to Clemson to pursue a degree in wildlife and fisheries biology. His award for \$500 was presented at the Strom Thurmond High School FFA banquet on May 14th.

The Aiken Master Gardener scholarship program is an annual program whereby the association recognizes and supports high school students that intend to study programs in agriculture at the University or College level. The scholarships are supported by the association's members through their programs such as "Rent-a-Master Gardener" and sales of their "Aiken Master Gardener Almanac". In addition to our high school scholarship program, which we fund directly on an annual basis, the Aiken Master Gardener Association has established an endowment scholarship at Clemson University for Aiken County students enrolled in the University's horticulture curricula.

For more information on these and other programs offered by the association please see the Aiken Master Gardener web site at <http://aikenmastergardeners.org/>



Justine Snipes receives his Award from Master Gardeners Brigitte Smith [left] and Edna Mills [center] at Aiken High School's Graduation Award Ceremony



Bryson Thompson receives his award from Horticultural teacher Jacob Laughlin at Strom Thurman High School's FFA banquet