

A Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

CHILDREN OF MEMBERS SCHOLARSHIP

Application deadline February 9, 2024

Scholarship Details

PURPOSE:

In order to carry on an educational and training program that encourages Ohio's rural youth to further their education and gives them an opportunity to become more aware of careers in the rural electric program, the Children of Members scholarship awards program is offered by North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NWECC) and Ohio's Electric Cooperatives, Inc. (OEC).

AWARDS:

DIVISION 1 - BOYS

DIVISION II - GIRLS

The local cash scholarship awards for each division are: First place - \$1500, second place - \$750

One local first place winner of this scholarship will be named as the overall winner and will advance to the statewide level where they will compete for additional cash.

INTERVIEWS

Local interviews will be held on **March 6, 2024 at Defiance College** and all eligible applicants are required to participate on that day in order to be considered for the scholarship award. Additional information will be mailed to the applicants prior to that date regarding specific interview times.

The local overall winner **must be available to interview on April 16, 2024 in Columbus, OH** for a chance to win an additional award.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST - to be considered for this award, all the following MUST BE submitted by the deadline date:

- _____ **Application form (two pages)** - Information must be confined to the official form. Applications must be submitted **by 4 p.m. on Friday, February 9, 2024.**
- _____ **An official, signed grade transcript**
Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of **3.5 or above** on a 4.0 scale or an equivalent standing on a nontraditional scale.
- _____ **One letter of recommendation**
The letter may be typed or handwritten and must be no longer than 500 words.
- _____ **A recent photo of the applicant** - A photocopy of a photo is acceptable.

MAIL OR DELIVER THE APPLICATION AND ATTACHMENTS TO:

NWEC Scholarship Coordinator
04125 State Route 576
P O Box 391
Bryan, OH 43506

Please review the scholarship rules on the next page prior to submitting your application.

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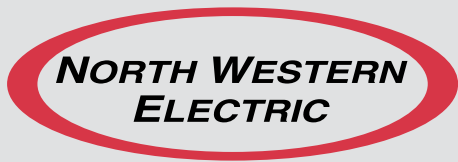
Scholarship Rules

The following provisions will govern the acceptance of applicants for the Children of Members Scholarship:

1. Applicants must be the son, daughter, or legal ward of a permanent residential NWECC member-owner receiving service for the duration of the 2023-2024 academic year (August 2023 - June 2024). Children/wards of NWECC commercial member-owners are not eligible unless one of their parents/legal guardians is also a permanent residential NWECC member-owner.
2. Applicants must be graduating seniors who have all basic credits for college or proper vocational or technical school entrance. A "proper vocational or technical school" is defined as a post-secondary institution where credits can be transferred to a state accredited four-year college.
3. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of **3.5 or above** on a 4.0 scale or an equivalent standing on a nontraditional scale.
4. Winners must provide proof of enrollment in an accredited college or proper vocational/technical school of students' choice to claim their scholarship. Winners who are accepted and then enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, working toward a degree, are also eligible.
5. Students may not be immediate family members of, or reside with, people who are employed by any electric cooperative in Ohio (employees, trustees, managers, OEC, **or** affiliated organizations such as Buckeye Power, Inc., RESCO, etc.).
6. Applicants who receive "full-ride" scholarships (i.e., scholarships that cover the cost of tuition, room, board *and* books) to the schools of their choice are **not eligible** for scholarships from NWECC or OEC.
7. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year following the student's high school graduation. However, an extension of one year may be granted for just cause in the judgment of the President/CEO of NWECC or of OEC. In the event students are unable to fulfill their enrollment obligation under this program, the awards are forfeited.
8. These rules supersede all previous rules for this scholarship.

All rules stated within this document conform to the policies and program guidelines as set forth by North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc. and Ohio's Electric Cooperatives, Inc.

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CHILDREN OF MEMBERS SCHOLARSHIP OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM

Deadline is February 9, 2024

This application must be TYPED to be accepted.
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Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Your Personal Email: _____

Are you over 18? Yes Date of birth: _____
 No

If you are younger than 18, please provide your parents' or guardians' information below:

Name: _____ Email: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____

North Western Electric Cooperative member's name on the electric account:

_____ Electric account #: _____

Name of high school: _____

Name of college or accredited technical school that you plan to attend (or are currently attending).
If undecided, list all that you are considering:

What field of study/major will you be pursuing? _____

What is the estimated length of the program? Two-year Four-year Other: _____

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NON-SCHOOL RELATED PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

List church or community activities in which you have participated. Include the years of participation and any leadership roles you held.

SCHOOL RELATED PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

List the most prestigious activities you participated in such as plays, athletics, music, etc. Include the years of participation, any leadership roles you held, and any scholastic awards you received.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

List jobs, positions held and length of employment.

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT, PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

We have examined this application and the records are true, complete and accurate. In addition, we acknowledge and agree that North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc. may disclose any or all of the information contained in this application and the supporting documents to the judges of the scholarship competition and to any employees of North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc. Winners' names and photos will be published in our magazine, on our website and on our social media pages.

Date

Applicant's Signature

**MUST be original,
handwritten signatures.**

Parent/Guardian's Signature (if applicant is under 18 years of age)