

BEDFORD RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC. TRADITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Eligibility

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a high school senior committed to attending, on a full-time basis, an accredited post-secondary institution (4 year college, 2 year community college, or trade school etc.),
2. Provide Bedford Rural Electric Cooperative with copies of your high school transcript, and FAFSA Web Submission Confirmation,
3. Be the dependent of a Parent or Guardian, whose primary residence is served by the Bedford Rural Electric Cooperative (Bedford REC director and employee dependents are not eligible),
4. Submit applications to Bedford Rural Electric by 4 pm on March 1,
5. Agree, if awarded a scholarship, to attend the scholarship presentation, which is held at Bedford Rural Electric's Annual Meeting, on the 2nd Wednesday of April, and
6. Submit one reference letter from a teacher or counselor.

Scholarship Details

1. The Bedford Rural Electric Cooperative will award four (4) \$1,000.00 scholarships.
2. The winners must prove that they are enrolled in an accredited institution. The Cooperative will submit the payment directly to the school.

Selection Criteria

The scholarship winners will be determined by a committee of Cooperative members, using the following criteria:

1. Scholastic achievement,
2. Financial need (Determined by FAFSA Web Submission Confirmation – Estimated Expected family Contribution),
3. Grade Point Average (GPA) and SAT or ACT scores,
4. Evaluation of an essay (300 typed words), telling us about yourself and why you deserve this scholarship, and
5. Extracurricular Activities, Work Experience, Community and Civic Involvement, and Volunteer Activities