

2024 Trade School or Technical College Scholarship Rules

Midwest Electric's scholarships encourage the youth in our community to further their education. The cooperative will award the Touchstone Energy® Achievement Scholarship to a high school senior who is attending a technical college or trade school after graduation. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or above and must plan to attend an accredited technical school program after graduation. Past recipients of this scholarship have completed programs to become diesel mechanics, for example. The top applicants will participate in interviews with judges and one student will receive a \$1,500 scholarship.

Scholarship applicants must be high school seniors, be the child or legal ward of a Midwest Electric member and live in a home receiving electric service from the cooperative.

The application deadline is February 2, 2024. Applications must be at the cooperative's office by February 2, not postmarked by this date.

Rules and regulations

- 1. Applicants must be a son, daughter, or legal ward of a Midwest Electric residential member living on the lines and receiving service at the time of competition.
- 2. Applicants must be graduating seniors who have all basic credits for college, or proper vocational, or technical school entrance.
- 3. Applicants must have a grade point average of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent standing on a nontraditional scale.
- 4. Applicants 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, Cardinal Operating Company, etc.).
- 5. Applications for the Midwest Electric competition must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on the forms provided by Midwest Electric or downloaded from this page. Application forms must be returned to the co-op office by Friday, February 2, 2024. Application information must be confined to the official application. The only attachments permitted are transcripts, student essay, teacher recommendations, and one photo of the applicant. (Student essay and teacher recommendations must be no more than 500 words).

- 6. Applicants who have received "full ride" scholarships (tuition, room, board, and books) to the schools of their choice are not eligible for scholarships from Midwest Electric.
- 7. The top applicants will be selected based on GPA and community involvement and will participate in interviews with judges. Applications and interviews will be reviewed based on scholastic record, personal achievement, and school and community activities. Points will also be awarded for poise, personality, and appearance during the interview. Finalists are not permitted to bring any outside materials to their interviews (electronic presentations, props, handouts, etc.).
- 8. Winners will be notified as soon as possible after judging.

If you have any questions regarding the scholarship competition, please feel free to contact Midwest Electric at 419-394-4110.

Mail Completed Entries by February 2, 2024, to Midwest Electric, Inc., 06029 County Road 33A, St. Marys, OH 45885

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