



WREA LINEMAN SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

OBJECTIVE: To encourage, promote, and educate lineworkers for enduring and rewarding careers with Wyoming's electric cooperatives.

POLICY:

I. Availability

Scholarships will be awarded to applicants who plan to attend an approved regional lineworker training program.

- A. One or more scholarships will be awarded each year.
- B. The Scholarship shall be a minimum of \$3,000.
- C. The scholarship is available to all qualified applicants, recent high school graduates and older "non-traditional" students, interested in a career in the electric industry.

II. Selection Process

- A. Member Systems will be responsible for providing information to high schools, colleges and employment agencies in their general area. Member Systems will be responsible for advertising scholarship application information in local media.
- B. WREA will be responsible for advertising scholarship information in the WREN magazine.
- C. Candidates must submit applications to local cooperatives or WREA.
- D. Scholarship recipient and alternate will be selected according to the following:
 - 1. Scholarship applications will include an application form, a resume detailing employment experience and duties, specialized skills, and three (3) letters of recommendation. The applicant must also provide a transcript of grades from any educational institution attended within the past three (3) years.
 - 2. Applications may be submitted to WREA for consideration throughout the year.
 - 3. The WREA Board of Directors may choose one (1) or more qualified recipients for the scholarship.
 - 4. The WREA Board of Directors may award an alternate the scholarship if the original applicant selected is unable to use the scholarship.

III. Payment

- A. The first scholarship payment will be made when the student enrolls in the next available session or semester of an approved regional lineworker training program.
- B. The scholarship will be paid in two separate installments and will be paid directly to the student's account at his/her school of choice.
- C. Verification of enrollment and GPA must be sent to WREA upon completion of each semester and prior to release of additional scholarship funds.
- D. No further scholarship money will be awarded in the event the student fails to complete the program or fails to maintain a 2.5 GPA, at which time the student will be asked to repay the scholarship funds previously received.

IV. Post-School Employment

- A. The scholarship recipient is obligated, upon completion of the lineworker program, to notify each Wyoming electric cooperative of his/her availability for employment and apply for any apprentice lineworker position open at a Wyoming electric cooperative. Filing an application will not guarantee employment. Failure to notify and apply at each of Wyoming's electric cooperatives will result in repayment of the scholarship monies received from WREA.



Electrical Lineworker Scholarship Application

APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED YEAR ROUND

In addition to the information below, the applicant must also provide a resume detailing employment experience and duties, specialized skills, and 3 letters of recommendation. The applicant must also provide a transcript of grades from any educational institution attended within the past three (3) years.

Required Information *(Please Print)*

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|-----------------------------|---------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Name | | | Date of Birth |
| Last Name | First Name | Middle Name | MM/DD/YYYY |
| Address | | | |
| Street or PO Box | City | State | Zip Code |
| Telephone Number () | Email Address | Social Security Number | |

- Are you a citizen of the United States? YES NO
 If no, are you prevented from lawfully becoming employed in this country because of Visa or Immigration Status? YES NO
Proof of citizenship or immigration status will be required upon enrollment.
- Do you have a valid driver's license? YES NO
- Are you at least 18 years of age? YES NO
- Have you received your high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate? YES NO
- Are you currently enrolled in high school, college, or technical school? YES NO
- Have you ever been employed by an electric cooperative? YES NO
- Do you have prior experience as a lineworker? (Please explain) YES NO
- Are you willing to relocate to attend a training school? YES NO
- Have you been convicted of a felony within the last 7 years? If yes, please explain. YES NO
Conviction will not necessarily disqualify an applicant from consideration.

Applicant's Statement

I understand that I am obligated to notify and apply at each Wyoming electric cooperative upon completion of the lineworker program and failure to do so will require me to repay the monies received.

I certify that answers given herein are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application as may be necessary for scholarship

I understand that no further scholarship money will be awarded in the event that I fail to complete the program or fail to maintain a 2.5 GPA, at which time I will repay the scholarship monies received.

In the event I receive the scholarship, I understand that false or misleading information given in my application or interview(s) may result in forfeit of the scholarship. I understand, also, that I am required to abide by all scholarship regulations as outlined by the Wyoming Rural Electric Association's Board of Directors.

 Signature of Applicant

 Date

HIGH SCHOOL DATA

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------|-------|----------|
| School Name | | | |
| Graduation Date (MM/YY) | | | |
| Address | | | |
| Street or PO Box | City | State | Zip Code |

POST SECONDARY SCHOOL DATA

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| School Name | | | |
| Address | | | |
| Street or PO Box | City | State | Zip Code |

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|------------------|------|-------|----------|
| School Name | | | |
| Address | | | |
| Street or PO Box | City | State | Zip Code |

Intended major or field of study _____

Anticipated date of graduation _____

WORK EXPERIENCE: Describe your work experience during the past four years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week.

| <u>Position and Company/Organization</u> | <u>From Mo/Yr - To Mo/YR</u> | <u>Hrs. per Week</u> |
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GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS: Write a paragraph describing your educational plans as they relate to your career objectives and future goals in the electric energy industry. Additional sheet may be used.

REFERENCES: List the names of the non-relatives who will serve as your references.

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| Name | Relationship (teacher, clergy, employers) | Phone Number |
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| Name | Relationship (teacher, clergy, employers) | Phone Number |
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The completed application, resume, letters of recommendation and an official transcript (if applicable) must be sent to the WREA office at 2312 Carey Ave, Cheyenne, WY 82001.