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Date: November 12, 2018

To: Area High School Counselors/Principals

From: Karen Lupkes

Re: \$1,000 Basin Electric Scholarship

Hello,

Traverse Electric will award one \$1,000 scholarship and one \$500 scholarship to a student entering a postsecondary education institution in the Fall of 2019. Applicants should be a dependent of a current Traverse Electric member. Submit completed applications to Traverse Electric's office or by mail, addressed to: Karen Lupkes, Traverse Electric Cooperative, Inc., PO Box 66, Wheaton, MN 56296. Application deadline is February 15, 2019.

Enclosed please find a few applications. Feel free to make copies as needed. Applications are also available for download on our website at www.traverseelectric.com, at our office or by calling our office at 800-927-5443 to request by email or mail.

The winner will be selected and notified by March 1, 2019. Please call our office with any questions.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Karen Lupkes".

Karen Lupkes
Office Manager



Supplying Electric Energy for Productive Farming and Better Living

Message from our General Manager/CEO

Basin Electric Power Cooperative takes great pride in its ability to assist in developing rural leadership in our region through our scholarship program.

The Basin Electric Power Cooperative Scholarship Program is designed to recognize and encourage the achievements of the children of employees of the Cooperative and its subsidiaries, and children of member-cooperative employees and consumers.

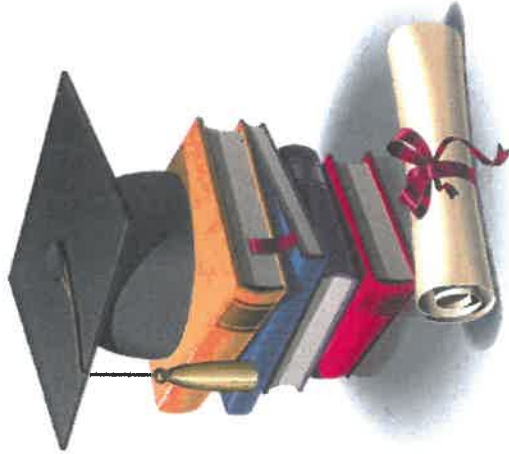
The Scholarship Program is administered and conducted by the Basin Electric Power Cooperative Human Resources Division. Winners are selected by a scholarship selection committee.

Since the scholarship program began, more than 4,700 young people in the Basin Electric system have benefited from this program. I wish all applicants the best. We have high expectations for your success in the future.



Paul Sukut
CEO / General Manager

Submit your application to your local electric cooperative.



For further information contact:
Your local electric cooperative
or
Basin Electric Power Cooperative

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Scholarship Program



Scholarship Program for Member Cooperatives

A program for dependent children of:

- Member-cooperative employees
- Member-cooperative consumers

How much is the scholarship?



The Basin Electric Power Cooperative (BEPCC) Scholarship Program will award more than 180 scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each. Five of the 25 scholarships for children of BEPC or subsidiary employees will be designated for qualified applicants who plan to attend a certified Vocational or Technical school, and five of the 25 will be designated for qualified applicants who plan to achieve an engineering degree.

Twenty will go to children of member-cooperatives' employees, and 141 to children of member-cooperative consumers. There will be one \$1,000 scholarship for each member cooperative to award to a dependent of a consumer member.

The scholarships must be used for educational costs, and the student must enter college in the fall of the school year for which the scholarship is given. Checks will be made payable to the school, and will be distributed to the school by BEPC. Scholarships will be distributed in August.

Who is eligible to receive the scholarship?

Dependent children (including adopted or step-children) of member-system consumers and dependent children of member-cooperative employees are eligible. The applicant must also be a U.S. citizen.

The applicant must be a student who is enrolled or planning to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited, two-year or four-year college, university or vocational/technical school.

BEPCC scholarships will be awarded without regard to other awards, loans or financial assistance the applicant may have obtained.

How are the recipients selected?

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, potential to succeed, leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, a statement of education and career goals, and an outside appraisal.

Applicants for the member-cooperative employee dependent category will first be screened by their cooperative. A BEPC selection committee will make the final selection in the member-cooperative employee dependent category.

Member cooperatives will be responsible to select one recipient to be awarded a scholarship in the member-cooperative consumer category. The final recipient's completed application will then be forwarded to BEPC by the member cooperative.

The scholarship award winners or the member co-ops are asked to notify the BEPC human resources division with the name and address of the school the student will be attending by July 1. It is also important to know if the student has switched schools, or has decided not to attend.

What are the recipient's obligations?

Except for the requirements outlined in this brochure, no obligations will be imposed upon the student as a scholarship award winner. Other than payment of the scholarship, no obligations or liability are assumed by BEPC, its subsidiaries or member cooperatives.

How can I apply?

To apply, complete the required criteria and the scholarship application, which can be obtained from your local electric cooperative office.

Children of member-system employees and consumers must submit the application and all necessary information to apply for a scholarship to their local electric cooperative office.

The applications must reach your cooperative by the given deadline. **Check with your electric cooperative for the deadline date.**

Member cooperative instructions

Each member cooperative will be responsible to forward one finalist to be considered for the member-cooperative employee dependent category.

Member cooperatives must have their finalist in the employee dependent category and their winner's application to BEPC by March 1, 2019.



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION MEMBER COOPERATIVE

Basin Electric Power Cooperative - Member Cooperative Scholarship Program

Scholarship Submittal Requirements

The student is responsible for submitting all materials on time. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated.

- 1. Complete this application (*attach additional sheets if necessary*). Your name and address should be on all attachments. Completeness and neatness ensure your application will be evaluated appropriately.
- 2. Recent academic transcript whether it is from a high school, college, university, or trade school. **CURRENT COLLEGE FRESHMAN** - Judges will screen and require more than one semester or quarter of grades. If this applies to you, submit your high school transcript.
- 3. Copy of your college entrance examination (*ACT and/or SAT*) scores. (*College Freshman Only*)
- 4. **Essay** - Describe how a cooperative can build a culture to best serve its members.
- 5. Applicant appraisal.
- 6. Send this application and all supporting documentation to your member cooperative. (*Each member cooperative will be responsible for selecting finalists in these categories*).
 - Cooperative applications **MUST** be sent to the cooperative.

**Return completed application to Traverse Electric's Office on or before February 15, 2019
Traverse Electric Cooperative, Inc., PO Box 66, Wheaton, MN 56296**

Member cooperatives' must submit their finalists to Basin Electric Power Cooperative by **March 1st**.

All scholarship entries are confidential and will only be viewed by the Basin Electric Power Cooperative or member cooperative selection committee.

Applicant Information

Applicant Name:		Home Phone:	College Phone:	Last 4 Digits of SSN#:
Permanent Address (<i>Street/PO Box</i>):		City:	State:	Zip:
Mother's Name:		Father's Name:		
Student's Parent is:		<input type="checkbox"/> Member Cooperative Employee <input type="checkbox"/> Member Cooperative Consumer		
Cooperative System Name:				
Cooperative Location (<i>City, State, Zip</i>):				
High School Name and Address from which you graduate or will be graduating this spring:				
Activities, Community Involvement, Achievements, and/or Honors:				

Sending a resume does not replace any part of this application. If space provided in any section is inadequate, you may continue on additional sheets. Attachments must follow the same format. **DO NOT** repeat information already reported on the application form. Your name, address, and name of this scholarship program should be included on all attachments.

Work Experience

Describe your work experience (e.g. food server, babysitting, lawn mowing, and office work). Indicate dates of employment for each job and approximate number of hours worked each week.

Employer/Position	From (Mo/Yr)	To (Mo/Yr)	Hours per Week

Goals and Aspirations

Write a brief summary of your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and long-term goals.

Education

High School Seniors - must include a transcript and complete this section.
 Students currently or previously enrolled in college or vocational-tech schools - must include college transcripts of grades. Completion of ACT and/or SAT tests is not necessary.

GPA: _____

ACT Scores:

English: _____ Math: _____ Reading: _____ Science: _____ Comp: _____

SAT I Scores:

Verbal: _____ Math: _____

School

Name and address of accredited school you plan to attend in the fall of the year:

Name	City	State

4-Yr. College or University
 2-Yr. Community or Junior College
 Vocational-Technical School

What will your class status be this fall?
 Freshman
 Sophomore
 Junior
 Senior

Major Course of Study:

Minors:

Essay Question (Required)

As part of the application, you are required to compose and submit an essay. The essay should be no more than one page, typed with a font size no smaller than 12 point, and double-spaced on 8 ½ X 11" size paper. Include your name on the top right-hand corner of the essay.

Describe how a cooperative can build a culture to best serve its members.

(Applicant Signature)

(Date)

Applicant Appraisal (Required)

To the applicant: This section is required and must be completed in the format provided. If incomplete, your application will not be evaluated. The section is to be completed by a high school or college counselor or advisor, an instructor, or a work supervisor who knows you well.

To the adult appraiser: You have been asked to provide information in support of this application. Please give immediate and serious attention to the following statements. When complete, please return to the applicant. If you prefer, photocopy this section and return to applicant in a sealed envelope. **A letter of recommendation does not replace this section.**

The applicant's choice of a post-secondary educational program is:	<input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Appropriate	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Appropriate	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Appropriate	<input type="checkbox"/> Inappropriate
The applicant's achievements reflect his/her ability:	<input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Well
The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals is:	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
The quality of the applicants commitment to school and/or community is:	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor
The applicant is able to seek, find, and use learning resources:	<input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Well
The applicant demonstrates curiosity and initiative:	<input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Well
The applicant demonstrates good problem-solving skills, follows through, and completes tasks:	<input type="checkbox"/> Extremely Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Moderately Well	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Well
The applicant's respect for self and other is:	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor

Comments:

Appraiser's Name:

Title:

Organization:

Phone No.:

(Appraiser Signature)

(Date)