Washington Electric Cooperative 2026 Children of Members Scholarship Program

The purpose of our scholarship competition is to encourage our members' children to further their education.

Prize amounts are as follows:

First Place: \$1,500 Second Place: \$1,000

Third Place: \$750 Fourth Place: \$500

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

To be eligible for the Washington Electric Cooperative Scholarship Awards, the following provisions will govern the acceptance of applications:

- 1. Applicants must be sons, daughters, or legal wards of Washington Electric Cooperative <u>residential</u> members, living on the lines and receiving service at the time of competition.
- 2. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors who have all basic credits for college, or proper vocational, or technical school entrance. (*Proper vocational or technical schools* is defined as post-secondary institutions where credits can be transferred to state-accredited four-year colleges.)
- 3. Applicants must have a current career average of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale, or equivalent standing on a nontraditional scale. Applicants who are accepted and then enrolled in accredited schools of nursing, working toward degrees, are also eligible.
- 4. Applications for the local Washington Electric Cooperative competition must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on the forms provided by Washington Electric Cooperative. Application forms must be returned to the co-op office by **January 23, 2026.** Application information must be confined to the official form. The only attachments permitted are: transcript, and teacher recommendations. (Teacher recommendations shall not exceed 500 words.)
- 5. Applicants who have received "full ride" scholarships (tuition, room, board, *and* books) to the schools of their choice are not eligible.
- 6. Personal interviews will be conducted with applicants. The applicants will receive points for scholastic record, personal achievement, school and community activities, and knowledge of the electric cooperative industry. Points will also be awarded for poise, preparedness, and appearance during the interview. Information about the electric cooperative industry will be provided to students to study prior to the interview. *Finalists are not permitted to bring any outside materials to their interviews (electronic presentations, props, handouts, etc.)*.
- 7. Winners will be notified as soon as possible after judging. The first-place winner will advance to the statewide scholarship competition conducted by Ohio's Electric Cooperatives. Judging for the statewide competition will be held April 7 at the OEC office in Columbus.

If you have any questions regarding the scholarship competition, please feel free to contact Jennifer Greene at 740-885-5950.

MAIL COMPLETED ENTRIES BY JANUARY 23, 2026, TO: Scholarship Program, Washington Electric Cooperative, P.O. Box 800, Marietta, OH 45750, or e-mail to jgreene@weci.org.