

Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative (CWEC)
Electric Utility Worker Scholarship Guidelines

PURPOSE - The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage technical training for graduating high school seniors, to educate youth about careers in their own communities, to create an incentive for trained electric utility workers to seek employment with electric cooperatives or other utilities.

SCHOLARSHIP - One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to an applicant pursuing a post-secondary education in an electric utility worker program.

ELIGIBILITY

- Any applicant enrolling in an Electrical Power Distribution (EPD) program or any applicant who can prove they are on a waiting list for the next open enrollment period at a Wisconsin technical college.
- Applicant must be a resident of Marathon, Portage, Waupaca, or Shawano County.
- Preference will be given to CWEC members.
- Dependents of employees and directors are eligible to participate in this scholarship program.

APPLICATION - Applicant must complete and submit the scholarship application and applicable criteria to CWEC by the application deadline.

SELECTION - Selection criteria will be based on scholastic achievement, school and community involvement, work history, and essay submission.

NOTIFICATION - Scholarship recipients will receive notification from CWEC.

DISBURSEMENT

- The scholarship awarded shall be for \$1,000, payable in two payments as follows:
 - The first check in the amount of \$500 will be paid to the college or vocational/technical school after the recipient provides CWEC with registration documentation from the school.
 - The second check in the amount of \$500 will be paid to the college or vocational/technical school after the recipient provides CWEC with a copy of the student's official school transcript indicating that the student successfully completed the first semester with a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

OTHER

- The recipient must be enrolled in an Electrical Power Distribution (EPD) program to begin in the fall of the current year. In the event the electric utility worker program is full and the college of choice is maintaining a student waiting list, the recipient must provide proof in writing in order to hold funds for the next open enrollment period.
- The selection process for this scholarship will be by the CWEC Operation Round Up Trust Committee.
- The creation of this scholarship is a free act of CWEC. CWEC retains its right to alter, suspend, cancel or halt the Electric Utility Worker Scholarship program at any time and without giving any reason, provided that a scholarship winner, already in college under the program, will continue to receive the stipends as awarded.