



# Scholarships

## **The Energy Cooperative Operation Round-Up Foundation Scholarships**

were created to reward students who have committed to the pursuance of a college education.

This scholarship rewards those students expressing the following values in their lives:

### **ACCOUNTABILITY**

*Demonstrates a high level of maturity through accountability for their actions.*

### **INTEGRITY**

*Expresses the highest standards of character.*

### **INNOVATION**

*Demonstrates innovation and determination in development of their future plans and making their goals a reality.*

### **COMMUNITY COMMITMENT**

*Has good citizenship traits and a record of contribution to their local community.*

### **Qualifications & Requirements:**

- 1) Applicant must be a graduating high school senior accepted at an accredited four-year college or two-year technical school and is the son or daughter of an active Energy Cooperative Operation Round-Up Foundation Program participant.
- 2) The applicant should be at a minimum in the 60 percentile rank of their high school class with a minimum overall grade point of 2.75 (on a 4.0 scale).
- 3) Provide a letter of recommendation from an independent sponsor (school representative, church or community leader, etc.) regarding how the applicant's character has played a role in enabling him/her to succeed. The letter should include character trait examples. Specific examples of situations that show these character traits and other strong traits are encouraged.

Applications for the Energy Cooperative Operation Round-Up Foundation Scholarship must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on forms furnished by the Energy Cooperative Operation Round-Up Foundation or obtained from [www.myenergycoop.com](http://www.myenergycoop.com). The scholarship submission deadline is **March 20, 2023**, to the Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation.

When scholarships are awarded, any applicant who has received a full scholarship (tuition, room, board, and books) is not eligible for a scholarship from the Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation.

All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by the Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation. However, an extension of one year can be granted for extenuating circumstances based upon a review and approval by the Chairman of the Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation. If a student is unable to fulfill his enrollment obligations under this program, the award is forfeited.

Applicants will be judged on scholastic achievement, character, special achievements and community awareness.

Members of the immediate families and persons residing in households of employees of the Energy Cooperative, directors of the Energy Cooperative, and directors of the Energy Cooperative Round Up Foundation are not eligible to participate in the scholarship program competition. In addition, other scholarship winners with the Energy Cooperative are not eligible.

### **Letter of Recommendation Guidelines:**

The Energy Cooperative Operation Round-Up Foundation Scholarship was created to reward those students who have committed themselves to pursue a college education. Therefore, the letter of recommendation should clarify the values/character the student has demonstrated and focus on the traits that helped the student arrive at this point in their life.

The suggested outline will answer the following points:

- I. How does the writer of the Letter of Recommendation know the applicant?
- II. What is/are the unique values/character traits the applicant has demonstrated as he/she pursued an education? Include detail of the circumstances or situation and the length of time it existed.
- III. What leadership has the applicant demonstrated?
- IV. What steps has the applicant taken to deal with challenge(s)?
- V. What character traits did the applicant use to help him/her triumph over any challenge(s)?
- VI. Other pertinent comments from the letter writer.
- VII. Overview: Why do you think the applicant should be awarded the scholarship?

Please return your completed letter to the student for attachment to the application form, and limit the letter to one page.

# Scholarship Application Operation Round Up Foundation

**APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED OR NEATLY PRINTED**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent /guardian names: \_\_\_\_\_ Are they members of our Cooperative? Yes  No

Do your parents participate in the Energy Cooperative Round-Up Foundation? Yes  No

Name of school & address: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Male  Female

What college or accredited technical school will you be attending? \_\_\_\_\_

What your planned major or degree? \_\_\_\_\_

## CHARACTER:

Please provide the information about who is submitting your letter of recommendation.

Name of sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

The information below should be completed by your high school counselor.

*Please include your official high school transcript.*

Number of students in senior class: Girls \_\_\_\_\_ Boys \_\_\_\_\_ Class rank (If applicable): Jr. Year \_\_\_\_\_ Sr. Year \_\_\_\_\_

\*Grade point average \_\_\_\_\_ (4.00 scale) Cumulative Point Hour \_\_\_\_\_ (weighted scale)

\*\* ACT Composite \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\*PSAT-NMSQT Standing \_\_\_\_\_ (National percentile ranking)

*\* Example - 4.00 for straight "A" student*

*\*\* American College Test*

List all scholarships won that apply toward college: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS:**

List the special achievements accomplished during your high school years, related to school or community activities. (Attach on a separate sheet, if necessary).

Activity	No of Years	Remarks
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List other accomplishments that show leadership skills, citizenship achievements, work skills or unique challenges overcome to achieve an education:

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Were there barriers that made it difficult for you to achieve your goals? If so, discuss them.

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**Statement of parent/guardian and applicant**

We have examined this application and the records are true, complete and accurate.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_