

2026
TEXAS
CHEROKEE COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP FUND
APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Application is **NOT** complete without each of the following:

_____ Original application completed and returned (Faxed applications not accepted.)

_____ Current college or high school official transcript (high school transcript must include STARR and ACT/SAT scores)

_____ Two (2) letters of recommendation: (Please submit only one (1) from your school. The other should be from a community member, pastor, employer, etc.)

_____ Handwritten essay. (Typed essays will not be accepted.)

_____ Signature of applicant and Cooperative member

_____ **Picture of applicant must be emailed to brandyw@cceca.net**
(no smaller than a 3x5) and signed photo release

NOTE: Any application or part of the application received after the due date will not be reviewed or considered by the Scholarship Committee.

Please return completed application to:

Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Association
Attn: Brandy Richards
P. O. Box 257
Rusk, TX 75785

DEADLINE
Application must be received in the
Rusk or Chapel Hill Cooperative Office
no later than the last business day of February.

Scholarships will be awarded, and recipients notified following final approval of the Board of Directors.

**TEXAS
CHEROKEE COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE**

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND
ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS**

Scholarships are available in the amount of \$1,000 per student. This will be subject to confirmation that the eligibility and requirements have been met.

Eligibility:

1. The applicant must be the child* of a person who is an active member of Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Association, in good standing and currently receiving electric service from Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Association.
2. Applicant must be an active high school senior in a public, private or home school, and a portion of the school district must be in the Cooperative's service area OR a full-time student (minimum 12 hours) in a recognized institution of higher education.
3. Applicant must be of good character as evidenced by at least two (2) letters of recommendation. One (1) from teacher, principal, counselor, etc., from current school and one (1) from employer, supervisor, minister, etc.

Requirements

1. Applications must be received no later than the last business day of February of each year. Awards will be announced within ninety (90) days of this date.
2. Scholarships will be awarded based on funds available and the applicants' eligibility.
3. Scholarship recipients will be approved by the Board of Directors at the April regular board meeting.
4. Scholarship must be used for the first full semester following the date awarded.
5. Recipient must provide proof of enrollment as a full-time student from the institution of higher education before monies are released.
6. Scholarship will be paid directly to the institute where the recipient is enrolled.
7. Recipient will forfeit scholarship if proof of enrollment is not provided to the Cooperative on or before September 30 of the current year.

* The child of a person:

- a. either related by blood, law, or marriage, including half, step, foster or adoptive relations, and
- b. resides in the same residence.

2026 (TEXAS)

CHEROKEE COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

P. O. Box 257 Rusk, TX 75785

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Must be received no later than last business day of February.

*****ALL APPLICANTS*****

COMPLETE ALL BLANKS. Indicate "N/A" if the question or blank does not apply. Indicate if attachment.

Student's Name _____ Cell No. _____

Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Father/Guardian's Name _____ Cell No. _____

Address (if different from student) _____ Home No. _____

Mother/Guardian's Name _____ Cell No. _____

Address (if different from student) _____ Home No. _____

Gross Family Income (Please circle the range that best applies to your family)

\$0 - \$49,000 \$50,000 – \$99,000 \$100,000 - \$149,000 \$150,000-\$199,000

Parent's occupation _____ Number of siblings in household _____

Number of family members attending college in fall _____

Are your parent(s) or guardian(s) an active member of Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Association? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please provide account information: Account Number _____

Name on Account _____ Relationship to applicant _____

Address on Account _____

Does applicant live at the residence receiving electric service from CCECA? _____ Yes _____ No

If no, please explain. _____

*****HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANT ONLY*****

High School presently attending _____

Current GPA _____ Class Ranking _____

Which College or university do you plan to attend? _____

Have you applied for admission? _____ Yes _____ No Have you been accepted? _____ Yes _____ No

Estimate college expenses for one (1) year _____

Have you received any other scholarships? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, how much? _____

**Please attach additional sheet if more space is needed and indicate with "See Attached".*

*List academic honors received: _____

*List school awards/sports awards/club awards: _____

*List community/volunteer activities: _____

*Work Experience:

Name of Employer	Type of Work	Length of Service
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

*****COLLEGE APPLICANT ONLY*****

College/University presently attending _____ Student ID# _____

Current GPA _____ Classification _____

College Major/Minor _____

College/University you will be attending in fall if different from above _____

Estimate college expenses for one (1) year _____

Have you received any other scholarships? ____ Yes ____ No If yes, how much? _____

**Please attach additional sheet if more space is needed and indicate with "See Attached".*

*List academic honors received: _____

*List college/university extracurricular activities: _____

*List community/volunteer activities: _____

*Work Experience:

Name of Employer

Type of Work

Length of Service

*Write an essay discussing your life's goals and how you plan to accomplish these goals. Tell of obstacles you have overcome or special circumstances you have experienced that affect or influence your goals. Use details that will help the scholarship committee get to know you. **The essay should be in your own handwriting.**

[illegible]

*****ALL APPLICANTS*****

In applying for this scholarship, I am aware that I must be considered a full-time student and demonstrate acceptable standards of citizenship and character to qualify.

To be complete, this application:

- Must be accompanied by an official transcript from the school the applicant has most recently attended or is currently attending, two (2) letters of recommendation, and a current picture emailed to: brandyw@cceca.net
- Must be signed below by the applicant and the Cooperative Member.

I agree to permit the review of this application and my school records by anyone representing Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Scholarship Fund.

Signature of Applicant *

Signature of Parent or Guardian (CCECA
Member) *

Date

Date

**Both signatures required.*

PHOTO RELEASE

In exchange for consideration received, I hereby give permission to Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Association to use my name and photographic likeness in all forms and media for lawful purposes of announcing, advertising, and promoting the Cherokee County Electric Cooperative Association scholarship program.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

If scholarship recipient is under the age of 18, I _____, am the parent/legal guardian of the individual named above, and I have read this release and approve of its terms.

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____