

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

A one-time scholarship is open to any high school senior whose parent(s) are a SEMO Electric Cooperative member. The student must have a GPA of 2.5 or greater and attending an accredited college or university. The deadline to apply for this scholarship is April 1, 2012.

The student can receive the SEMO Electric Foundation Scholarship only one time. It is not renewable. Finalists will be selected by the Board of SEMO Electric Foundation. The scholarship monies will be awarded prior to the upcoming 2012 fall semester or quarter with the student's valid proof of enrollment as a full-time student at the accredited college or university of his/her choice.

### **Applications will be considered when the following information is received.**

1. A typed letter stating your reason for applying. Indicate special needs, family circumstances and how you plan to finance your education.
2. On a separate sheet of paper, a list of extracurricular activities, memberships in clubs, offices held, honors received, and any involvement in church, sports, or community.
3. A copy of the first two pages of your family's tax return for the past two years. If your parents are separated or divorced, you must also submit a copy of a tax return for the parent you're not living with. Feel free to black out social security numbers.
4. An official transcript signed by the counselor.
5. Completion of the attached application.

*Only complete applications will be considered. All information must be submitted at one time prior to the deadline of April 1, 2012.*

Applications must be postmarked by April 1. Please mail to:

**Glen Cantrell  
Communications Manager  
SEMO Electric Cooperative  
P.O. Box 520  
Sikeston MO 63801**

Selection is base on the following criteria:

1. Definite financial need.....50%
2. Motivation.....25%
3. Academic achievement.....25%

## **CONDITIONS**

1. Scholarship recipients and their parents are to attend the SEMO Electric Annual Membership meeting in May to be recognized as a scholarship winner.
2. The scholarship is a one-year scholarship, designated for the first year of post-secondary education, and is not renewable.
3. If a recipient forfeits rights to their scholarship within the academic year of receipt, remaining funds will be distributed in the following year's selection.
4. If the winner of a scholarship learns that he or she is to receive a FULL scholarship from another source, they must notify SEMO Electric and relinquish the scholarship, which will then be awarded to another student.
5. Scholarship recipients will be recognized at high school awards day functions or at graduation exercises.
6. SEMO Electric Cooperative reserves the right to make the initial announcement of scholarship winners.
7. Management of SEMO Electric has the authority to render decisions regarding questions that are not answered in this brochure.
8. Once a scholarship has been awarded, monies cannot be transferred to another college.
9. All monies will be paid to two parties, the scholarship recipient and the college.
10. Recipients of the one year scholarship must maintain a 2.5 GPA in their first semester.

## **PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

In order to receive payment, scholarship recipients must send a copy of their fall schedule to SEMO Electric, P.O. Box 520, Sikeston MO 63801. The Cooperative will then pay half of the total scholarship with a check made out to both the college and the student.

If you have any questions about the application process, please call SEMO Electric and ask for Glen Cantrell.



Gross Annual Salary of parent not living with

**ABOUT YOUR EDUCATION:**

High school you attend(ed) \_\_\_\_\_

Number in your graduating class \_\_\_\_\_ Scholastic ranking \_\_\_\_\_

Grade point average (4.0 Grade scale) \_\_\_\_\_ unweighted \_\_\_\_\_ weighted \_\_\_\_\_

College/university you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

Type of degree you are seeking \_\_\_\_\_

Did you fill out a Financial Aid Form (FAFSA) requesting a Pell Grant from the government?  Yes  No. If yes, please submit a copy of page 3 from your SAR results indicating your expected family contribution.

**ABOUT YOUR APPLICATION:**

Typed personal letter attached .....  Yes  No

Resume` or list of extracurricular activities attached.....  Yes  No

Copy of 1<sup>st</sup> two pages of family's tax form (past 2 years) attached.....  Yes  No

**ABOUT YOUR HOUSEHOLD:**

Number of Family Members Living in Your Household:

Parents \_\_\_\_\_

Children currently enrolled in college \_\_\_\_\_

Children currently enrolled in high school \_\_\_\_\_

Children currently enrolled in middle school \_\_\_\_\_

Children currently enrolled in elementary school \_\_\_\_\_

Children under school age \_\_\_\_\_

Other (grandparents/relative) \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of people in household \_\_\_\_\_

*If this number is different from the number of exemptions on your tax return, please explain in your cover letter.*

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**Financial need** \_\_\_\_\_

**Academic achievement** \_\_\_\_\_

**Motivation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total** \_\_\_\_\_

**Interview**  Yes  No