

NEIL ADKINS LINEWORKER SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES



The Neil T. Adkins Scholarship was set up in memory of our son who was killed in an automobile accident in June 2009. Neil was 20 years old and had attended Bismarck State College in the Lineworker Program. In May, he had begun his new career with 3-C Construction in Bismarck and was enjoying his success in the Lineworker field. Neil was a lifelong resident of Wyoming and received the WREA Scholarship to help him achieve his goal. In memory of Neil, we hope this scholarship will help a deserving student become successful in the Lineworker Program.

OBJECTIVE: To encourage, promote, and educate lineworkers for enduring and rewarding careers with Wyoming's electric cooperatives.

POLICY:

I. Availability

- A. Scholarships are available to applicants who plan to attend an approved regional lineworker training program.
- B. One scholarship will be awarded each year.
- C. The scholarship shall be in the amount of \$500.00.
- D. The scholarship is available to all Wyoming residents or any person who is a member or a child of such member, who lives in the home, that receives electrical services from a Wyoming electric cooperative association.

II. Selection Process

- A. Candidates must submit a scholarship application to their local cooperative or WREA.
- B. Completed scholarship application must be mailed, faxed or emailed no later than March 1st.
 - 1. Mailing address: 2312 Carey Ave., Cheyenne, WY 82001
 - 2. Fax number: (307) 634-0728
 - 3. Email: rfearer@wyomingrea.org
- C. Completed scholarship applications will be reviewed by the WREA Scholarship Committee and the WREA Board of Directors. In order for the application to be considered it must include the following:
 - 1. Scholarship applications must include:

1. An application form.
2. A resume detailing employment experience, duties, and any specialized skills.
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation.
4. A transcript of grades from any educational institution attended within the past three (3) years and/or proof of GED certificate.

III. Payment

- A. The first scholarship payment will be made when the student enrolls in the next available session or semester of an approved regional lineworker training program.
- B. The scholarship will be paid in installment and will be paid directly to the student's account at his/her school of choice.

IV. Post-School Obligation

- A. The scholarship recipient is obligated, upon completion of the lineworker program to notify WREA of his/her availability for employment by sending a resume and cover letter to WREA. Filing a resume will not guarantee employment with a Wyoming co-op. **Failure to provide a resume and cover letter to WREA will result in repayment of the scholarship monies received from WREA.**

Adkins Scholarship



APPLICATION DEADLINE MARCH 1st

In addition to the information below, the applicant must also provide a resume detailing employment experience and duties, specialized skills, and 2 letters of recommendation. The applicant must also provide a transcript of grades from any educational institution attended within the past three (3) years. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Required Information (Please Print)

Name			Date of Birth	
Last Name		First Name	Middle Name	MM/DD/YYYY
Address				
Street or PO Box		City	State	Zip Code
Telephone Number		Email Address		
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Are you a citizen of the United States?

☐ YES

☐ NO

If no, are you prevented from lawfully becoming employed in this country because of Visa or Immigration Status?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Proof of citizenship or immigration status will be required upon enrollment.

Are you a Wyoming resident?

☐ YES

☐ NO

If no, is your primary residence within a boundary of a Wyoming electric cooperative?

☐ YES

☐ NO

If yes, what Wyoming cooperative serves your primary residence?

Do you have a valid driver's license?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Are you at least 18 years of age?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Have you received your high school diploma or G.E.D. certificate?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Are you currently enrolled in high school, college, or technical school?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Have you ever been employed by an electric cooperative?

☐ YES

☐ NO

Do you have prior experience as a line worker? (Please explain)

☐ YES

☐ NO

Have you been convicted of a felony within the last 7 years? If yes, please explain.

☐ YES

☐ NO

Conviction will not necessarily disqualify an applicant from consideration.

Applicant's Statement

I understand that I am obligated to notify Wyoming Rural Electric Association upon completion of the line worker program. I must send a resume and cover letter to be distributed by WREA to all Wyoming Cooperatives. Failure to do so will require me to repay the monies received.

I certify that answers given herein are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application as may be necessary for scholarship

I understand that no further scholarship money will be awarded in the event that I fail to complete the program or fail to maintain a 2.5 GPA, at which time I will repay the scholarship monies received.

In the event I receive the scholarship, I understand that false or misleading information given in my application or interview(s) may result in forfeit of the scholarship. I understand, also, that I am required to abide by all scholarship regulations as outlined by the Wyoming Rural Electric Association's Board of Directors.

Signature of Applicant

Date

HIGH SCHOOL DATA

School Name		Graduation Date	
Address			
Street or PO Box	City	State	Zip Code

GED DATA

Date GED Was Obtained:

POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL DATA (If attended)

School Name		Graduation Date	
Address			
Street or PO Box	City	State	Zip Code

LINEWORKER PROGRAM YOU PLAN TO ATTEND

School Name			
Address			
Street or PO Box	City	State	Zip Code
Term Start Date:		Graduation Date:	
Major:			

WORK EXPERIENCE: Describe your work experience during the past four years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week.

Position and Company/Organization	From Mo/Yr - To Mo/YR	Hrs. per Week

REFERENCES: List the names of the non-relatives who will serve as your references.

Name	Relationship (teacher, clergy, employer)	Phone Number
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GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS: *Write a paragraph describing your educational plans as they relate to your career objectives and future goals in the electric energy industry. Additional sheet may be used.*