



CHILDREN OF MEMBERS SCHOLARSHIP 2017

INSTRUCTIONS:

If you do not have Adobe Reader software, it is a free download available here: <https://get.adobe.com/reader/>. (If you do not want to install **McAfee Security Scan Plus** and **True Key™** by Intel Security, uncheck their boxes prior to downloading.)

1. **Open the application file using Adobe Reader, and save it.**
2. **Complete the first two pages using Adobe Reader.**
3. **Save the file again, then print all pages.**

Take the application to a teacher and your guidance counselor to complete the faculty portion. It is preferred those sections are typewritten; however, they may be handwritten if necessary.

Applications and letters of recommendation must be received by Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc. by February 3, 2017. Scholarship interviews will be held on February 11, 2017. Applicants will receive additional information in the mail prior to that date.

PURPOSE:

In order to carry on an educational and training program that encourages Ohio's rural youth to further their education and gives them an opportunity to become more aware of careers in the rural electric program.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

DIVISION I – BOYS

DIVISION II – GIRLS

The cash scholarship awards for each division are as follows:

First place	\$1,000
Second place	\$ 800
Third place	\$ 600
Fourth place	\$ 400



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RULES:

To be eligible for the GMEC scholarships, the following provisions will govern the acceptance of applicants:

1. Applicants must be the child or legal ward of a Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative member.
2. Applicants must be graduating seniors who have all basic credits for college or proper vocational or technical school entrance. A “proper vocational or technical school” is defined as a post-secondary institution where credits can be transferred to a state accredited four-year college.
3. Applicants in both divisions must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale or an equivalent standing on a nontraditional scale.
4. Winners must be accepted and then enrolled in an accredited college or proper vocational/technical school of students’ choice when they receive the award. Winners who are accepted and then enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, working toward a degree, are also eligible.
5. Members of the immediate families and persons residing in the households of trustees, managers, distribution cooperative employees and OEC or affiliated organizations (Buckeye Power, Inc., RESCO, etc.) employees are not eligible to participate in the competition.
6. Applications must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on forms furnished by and submitted to **Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc.**
7. Applicants who have not submitted applications to the cooperative by its deadline will not be eligible.
8. Application information must be confined to the official nomination form with only grade transcripts, teacher recommendations, and a recent photo attached. Teacher recommendations must be no longer than 500 words.
9. Students are not permitted to bring any outside materials to their interviews (e.g., electronic presentations, props, handouts, etc.).



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10. Any first-place winners that do not meet Ohio Electric Cooperative's eligibility requirements including being a permanent residential electric cooperative member receiving service for the duration of the 2016-17 academic year (August 2016 - June 2017) or receive "full-ride" scholarships (i.e., scholarships that cover the cost of tuition, room, board *and* books) to the schools of their choice will not be eligible to compete at the statewide level. Applicants who win an OEC scholarship and subsequently receive a full-ride scholarship following the Children of Members scholarship competition, must contact OEC immediately to forfeit this scholarship.
11. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by OEC. However, an extension of one year may be granted for just cause in the judgment of the president of OEC. In the event students are unable to fulfill their enrollment obligation under this program, the awards are forfeited.

MAIL OR DELIVER THE APPLICATION AND LETTER TO:

Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc.

17 S. Liberty St., New Concord, OH 43762-1299