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Cooperative Light & Power's Westholm Memorial Scholarship Eligibility & Guidelines

High School Scholarship Eligibility & Application Guidelines

Cooperative Light & Power scholarships are awarded to graduating high school seniors who plan to pursue further education. The following criteria will be used when selecting students:

- Applicants must be high school seniors planning to graduate in the spring of the current school year.
- The applicant must be registered as a full-time student at a college or vocational-technical school, taking a minimum of 12 credits per semester.
- Applicants must have a high school GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- A student, parent, or guardian must be an active member of Cooperative Light & Power, which means they receive electricity from the cooperative.
- Applicant must demonstrate a commitment to community through active involvement in civic affairs, volunteerism in community organizations, or programs that enhance the quality of life for the citizens of our region.
- Applicant must submit a typed 250-word essay discussing goals and future plans. Explain why you deserve the award or include any other relevant information you want the selection committee to know.
- Applicants must complete the application, submit an essay, and provide two letters of recommendation (one from a counselor, teacher, coach, or mentor, and one from a community member).
- A copy of the applicant's high school transcript must be provided, including the first semester of senior year.
- The application form must be completed in full and include any required attachments. Entries that are submitted after the application deadline will not be considered.
- The applicant agrees that if awarded a scholarship, his/her name and photo may be used in various communication channels by Cooperative Light & Power.
- A total of six awards will be given. The award amount is \$1,000. Four of the scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled in the local schools (Two Harbors High School and William Kelley High School), and two scholarships will be awarded to students from high schools outside the area.
- Recipients will be selected without regard to gender, race, religion, color, or national origin.
- Application deadline is **April 1, 2026**.
- The decision of the Scholarship Committee is final.
- Awards will be made to recipients upon submission of transcripts after the first semester of attendance at a technical school, community college, or university.