

Board of Director Scholarship Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative, Inc. 2025 Guidelines

The purpose of this scholarship is to

Applicant Eligibility:

- Reside in RBEC service territory
- Submit a completed application packet
- Be accepted into the Northwest Lineman College Electrical Lineworker Program

Amount and Use:

- There is two scholarship per year available in the amount of \$10,000 each to be used towards tuition, application fees, lab fees, and other costs associated with the Electrical Lineworker Program. The student is responsible for all other expenses associated with the program such as housing and living expenses.
- Two students from the service territory will be selected.
- Scholarship funds must be applied to a NLC ELP term that begins in the same calendar year in which the student graduates' high school. Scholarship funds may not be deferred beyond this time frame.
- Scholarship funds will not be issued directly to the student but will be applied toward the student's tuition and tool balance owed.
- Upon graduation, students must commit to no less than five years of employment with Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative.
- Students who do not fulfill the terms of the scholarship will be responsible for reimbursing Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative the full amount of the scholarship funds.

Selection Criteria:

- Cumulative GPA (2.0 or above preferred).
- One- to two-page letter (typed, 12 point font) by student stating why he/she would like to pursue a career in linework, how this scholarship will help, and how he/she plans to pay for living expenses and additional costs while at NLC.
- Two reference letters from a school counselor, principal, teacher or coach.

Scholarship Selection Committee:

• Selection of candidates will be managed through RBEC Management Team.

Application Packet Components:

- Completed application form.
- One- to two-page letter (typed, 12-point font) by student stating why he/she would like to pursue a career in linework, how this scholarship will help, and how he/she plans to pay for living expenses and additional costs while at NLC.
- Two reference letters from a school counselor, principal, teacher or coach.
- Official high school transcript.
- Proof of acceptance into the NLC Electrical Lineworker Program for the calendar year in which the student will graduate high school.

Deadline and Submission Information:

- [Insert Date] deadline.
- Completed application packets shall be submitted to [insert RBEC submission instructions].
- Questions regarding this scholarship should be addressed to Dawn Stephens @ dstephens@rbec.coop or call 806-249-4506.

Northwest Lineman College Information:

- Website (<u>https://lineman.edu</u>)
- Electrical Lineworker Program (https://lineman.edu/become-a-lineworker/)
- Application Information: (http://www.apply.lineman.edu/)
- Catalog: (https://lineman.edu/nlccatalogs/)
- Career Outlook (https://lineman.edu/career-outlook-graphic/)

Rita Blanca Electric Cooperative, Inc. Information:

Website: www.ritablancaelectric.com