



A Touchstone Energy™ Cooperative 

2018 School Year

## Scholarship Application Form

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K.C. Electric Association will award and/or administer the awards to the following:

- (two)-\$1000 Scholarships from K.C. Electric Association
- (three)-\$750 Scholarships from K.C. Electric Association
- (one)-\$1,000 Scholarship from Basin Power Cooperative
- (two)-\$500 Scholarships from Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association

By filling out and submitting this application you are automatically applying for the three scholarships listed above. **Note: If you are eligible for a K.C. Electric scholarship, you are eligible for the Basin and Tri-State scholarships. Only one application is required.**

These scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors planning to attend accredited colleges, universities, junior colleges, community colleges or trade schools. Students must enter college the same year as their graduation from high school. This award may be given in addition to other grants and scholarships. The recipient will be chosen by a review panel. The award will be paid jointly to the student and the school the student attends. The student must be classified as a full-time student and confirmation of enrollment is required.

Additional forms are on the K.C. Electric website: [www.kcelectric.coop](http://www.kcelectric.coop). Select Community, then Scholarships and then the link for the form. **DO NOT USE FORMS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS.** You may receive additional forms or information by calling (719) 743-2431.

### ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- **Applicant's parents or legal guardians must be currently receiving electric service from K.C. Electric Association.**
- A cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.5
- One photo of student- preferably not printed or scanned version, actual glossy photo
- **The applicant must use K.C. Electric's scholarship form.**
- A notarized high school transcript must accompany the application
- One letter of recommendation from a counselor, teacher or former employer
- Complete an essay

## ESSAY QUESTION:

The source of our energy is a major issue among lawmakers and citizens of the United States of America. Renewable energy sources such as wind and solar are increasing in popularity including several wind farms that reside in eastern Colorado. Our energy system has relied on coal fired power plants for decades and are a staple for most power generating companies.

However, there are benefits and drawbacks to both sides of this issue.

Renewable energy has the benefit of providing power that has minimal effect on the atmosphere but at the cost of reliability. If the wind doesn't blow and/or the sun doesn't shine, there is a possibility there would not be enough energy available to power our homes and businesses at all times of the day and night.

Coal fired generation is one of the most reliable generation sources available today, but the long-term effects on the atmosphere cannot be ignored.

Based on the information above, would you be in favor of utilities moving towards more renewable energy generation knowing that reliability would be affected, or does your value for reliable power outweigh the drawbacks of coal fired generation? Explain in detail which option you prefer.

- The essay should be no more than one page, typed with a font size no smaller than 12 pt., and double spaced on 8 ½ x 11 paper. (About 400 words)
- Include your name on the top right-hand corner of the essay.
- The scholarship application must be received by K.C. Electric Association no later than **January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

Scholarship Application

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or RR, City, State Zip

**Home Address (if different):** \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or RR, City, State Zip

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade Point Average:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Graduation date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ACT Score:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Taken:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SAT Score:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date Taken:** \_\_\_\_\_

(At least one of the above scores is required)

College, University, Junior College you plan to attend and mailing address for the college:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed Major:** \_\_\_\_\_

Technical or Trade School you plan to attend and mailing address for the college:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Proposed Trade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach activities participated in, offices held, and awards received in your school, community, church, etc.**

**Signature** of either: Mother, Father, or Guardian

**Father or Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, first, middle)

**Mother or Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, first, middle)

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K. C. Electric Association Account Number (located on monthly bill):

Acct. #- \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the information provided in this application is true and correct.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**VERIFICATION OF SCHOOL RECORDS AND ACTIVITIES**

I have reviewed this application and according to our records, I find it to be true and correct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent, Principal or Counselor

**Send scholarships to:**

K.C. Electric Association  
Attention: George Ehlers  
PO Box 8  
Hugo, CO 80821

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