



Scholarship Program

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The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation Scholarship has been created to reward those students who have committed themselves to the pursuance of a college education. This scholarship rewards those students expressing the following values in their lives:

Accountability - The candidate demonstrates a high level of maturity through accountability for their actions.

Integrity - The candidate expresses highest standards of character.

Innovation - The candidate demonstrates innovation and determination in development of their future plans and making their goals a reality.

Community Commitment - The candidate has good citizenship traits and a record of contribution to their local community.

In addition, in 2013 the Operation Round Up Board created two additional scholarships to be awarded to children whose parent(s) or guardians participate in the Operation Round Up Foundation program to honor the memory of **Bruce A. Sumner**, former VP & COO of Electric Operations at The Energy Cooperative. The scholarships will be awarded to one boy and one girl who are community minded individuals that have made a commitment to give back to their community by volunteering or creating a community service project, involvement with the Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts, or involvement with a Rotary Club or being a member of your high school Key Club.

Also, in 2015, the Operation Round Up Board announced a \$2,500.00 scholarship named in memory of John C. "Jay" Barker. Mr. Barker was elected as the first Chairman of the Foundation board upon establishment of the Foundation in October of 2005. To be eligible for the JAY BARKER SCHOLARSHIP, students or their parents must be a member (customer) of The Energy Cooperative and either a high school senior or enrolled in College. Qualified candidates or their parents must be a resident of LICKING COUNTY. The JAY BARKER SCHOLARSHIP was created for those individuals who plan to pursue a future in business or finance. High school seniors please complete the standard Operation Round Up Scholarship Application. College students please complete the JAY BARKER SCHOLARSHIP application.

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Qualifications:

- I. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior who has been accepted at an accredited four year college or two year technical school and is the son or daughter of an active Energy Cooperative Operation Round – Up Foundation Program participant.
- II. The applicant should be at a minimum in the 60 percentile rank of their high school class with a minimum overall grade point of 2.75 (on a 4.0 scale).
- III. Character: A Letter of Recommendation from an independent sponsor (school representative, church or community leader, etc.) that explains how the applicant's character has played a role in enabling him/her to succeed. Character traits such as integrity, innovation and accountability should be mentioned. Specific examples of situations that show these character traits and other strong traits are encouraged.
- IV. Points will be distributed as follows:

Scholastic achievement	15 pts.
Character	25 pts.
Special achievements	40 pts.
Community Awareness	20 pts.
- V. Members of the immediate families and persons residing in households of employees of The Energy Cooperative, directors of The Energy Cooperative, and directors of The Energy Cooperative Round Up Foundation are not eligible to participate in the scholarship program competition.
- VI. **WE ASK THAT IF YOU HAVE ALREADY WON A SCHOLARSHIP WITH THE ENERGY COOPERATIVE, PLEASE DO NOT APPLY FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP.**
- VII. Applications for The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation Scholarship must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on forms furnished by The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation or obtained from www.theenergycoop.com.

Application information must be confined to the official nomination form with no attachments other than grade transcripts and a Letter of Recommendation.

The deadline for receipt of scholarship applications by The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation is March 31, 2017.

- VIII. Any applicant who, at the time the awards are made, has received a full scholarship (tuition, room, board and books) to the school of his/her choice is not eligible for a scholarship from The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation.
- IX. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation. However, an extension of one year may be granted for extenuating circumstances based upon a review and approval by the Chairman of The Energy Cooperative Operation Round Up Foundation. In the event a student is unable to fulfill his enrollment obligations under this program, the award is forfeited.

JUDGING:

The judges will score up to a maximum of 15 points for scholastic record, 25 points for character, 40 points for special achievement, and 20 points for community service activities.

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Letter of Recommendation Guidelines:

Please give this guide sheet to the writer of the Letter of Recommendation

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The Letter of Recommendation should clarify the values / character the student has demonstrated and focus on the traits that helped the student arrive at this point in their life.

The suggested outline will answer the following points:

- I. How does the writer of the Letter of Recommendation know the applicant?
- II. What is/are the unique values / character traits the applicant has demonstrated with as he/she pursued an education? Include detail of the circumstances or situation and the length of time it existed.
- III. What leadership has the applicant demonstrated?
- IV. What steps has the applicant taken to deal with challenge(s)?
- V. What character traits did the applicant use to help him/her triumph over any challenge(s)?
- VI. Other pertinent comments from the letter writer.
- VII. Overview: Why-do you think the applicant should be awarded the scholarship?

Please return your completed letter to the student for attachment to the application form. Limit letter to one page, please.



Scholarship Application Form

APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE TYPED OR NEATLY PRINTED

Date: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing address: _____

Location address: _____

Parents' names: _____

Are your parents/guardians members of The Energy Cooperative? Yes No

Are your parents/guardians participating in The Energy Cooperative Round Up Foundation?
 Yes No

Name of school and where located: _____

Age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Gender: Male Female

What college or accredited technical school have you been accepted?

What will be your major or degree? _____

CHARACTER:

Give name, address, telephone number and position of the independent sponsor who wrote your Letter of Recommendation. (Attach letter to this form.) **Give the letter writer the attached guidelines to follow when writing the letter.**

Name of Sponsor: _____

Address: _____

Telephone number: _____

Organization: _____

Position: _____

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENT:

High school scholastic record by years: Attach an official transcript of your grades (usually marked with an embossed school stamp).
(Data below is filled in by school counselor verifiable by high school transcript.)

Number of Students in Senior class: Girls _____ Boys _____

Class rank (If applicable): Jr. Year _____ Sr. Year _____

*Cumulative Point Hour _____ (On 4.00 scale)

Cumulative Point Hour _____ (On weighted scale, IF applicable)

** ACT Composite _____

***PSAT-NMSQT Standing _____ (National percentile ranking)

* Example - 4.00 for straight "A" student

** American College Test

*** Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test-National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

List all scholarships won that apply toward college.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

List the special achievements accomplished during your high school years either related to school activities and / or community activities. (Attach on a separate sheet, if necessary)

ACTIVITY	NO. OF YEARS	REMARKS

List other accomplishments that show leadership skills, citizenship achievements, work skills or unique challenges overcome to achieve an education:

Were there barriers that made it difficult for you to achieve your goals? If so, discuss them. (Confine information to application.)

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT, PARENT OR GUARDIAN

We have examined this application and the records are true, complete and accurate.

Date: _____ Signed: _____
(Applicant)

Signed: _____
Parent or Guardian