DAKOTA ENERGY COOPERATIVE, INC.

2027 Scholarship
Program details

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS
Four scholarships of $500 each

APPLICATION DEADLINE
January 30, 2027

About the program

The Dakota Energy Scholarship Program recognizes academic achievements by children of Dakota Energy member-consumers. The program encourages students to attend a South Dakota post-secondary institution and, in turn, to stay in South Dakota. Recognition is provided through scholarships.

Scholarship award and payment

Dakota Energy will award four scholarships of $500 each. Scholarships must be used for educational costs, and recipients must enter college in the fall of the school year for which the scholarship is awarded. Checks are payable to the student and distributed by Dakota Energy in two equal installments: the first in May and the second in December.

How are recipients selected?

Awards are based on ACT scores, grade-point average, activities and achievements, a student-written statement of 100 words or less explaining educational and career goals, and two recommendations from third parties.

Who is eligible?

Applicants must be dependent children of Dakota Energy member-consumers and U.S. citizens. Applicants must plan to enroll full time in an undergraduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school located in South Dakota.

Recipient obligations

Except for the requirements outlined in this application, no obligations will be imposed on the student as a scholarship award winner. Other than payment of the scholarship, no obligations or liability are assumed by Dakota Energy Cooperative, Inc.

How to apply

Complete the application on the next page and include all required supporting materials. Applications are also available from a cooperative office or your school counselor.
Return your complete application packet to Dakota Energy at either the Huron or Miller office by **January 30, 2027**. Mailing information is listed on the next page. You are responsible for submitting all necessary information. Applications must reach Dakota Energy by the deadline.

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Please complete the form below. Information such as schooling, achievements, and career plans may be used for publicity purposes.

1. Name

Phone number

2. Email address

Are you a U.S. citizen?

○ Yes ○ No

3. Permanent address (street)

City

State

ZIP code

4. Mother's name

Father's name

5. High school name and address (graduating spring 2027)

6. Accredited school name and address (attending fall 2027)

7. Major course of study

Minors

Student signature

Date

Parent signature

Date

Scholarship submission requirements

- ☐ Completed application, typed or printed (attach additional sheets if necessary).
- ☐ Your most recent high school academic transcript.
- ☐ A copy of your college entrance examination (ACT) scores.
- ☐ Your essay (100 words or less) explaining your educational and career goals.
- ☐ Two letters of reference from third parties (e.g., a teacher or counselor).
- ☐ A list of your activities, achievements, or honors.

Return your complete packet by January 30, 2027.

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