Great Lakes Energy Cooperative 2024/25 Scholarship Application

Availability: Great Lakes Energy (GLE) is a not-for-profit electric cooperative with nearly 300 employees serving more than 125,000 members in rural areas of northern and western Michigan. We are pleased to offer four scholarships in the 2024-25 academic year: two scholarships for students pursuing a degree related to Electrical Engineering and two scholarships for students pursuing a degree related to Information Technology.

Award Amount: $2,500 each for full-time students or $1,250 each for part-time students, for use at any accredited university or college in the United States. The scholarship must be used for educational purposes.

Frequency: One annual award; previous scholarship recipients are eligible to apply.

Deadline: **Completed applications must be submitted by March 31, 2024.**
All supporting materials and documentation must be included with the application and submitted to hr@glenergy.com OR Great Lakes Energy, 1323 Boyne Avenue, Attention Human Resources, Boyne City, MI 49712.

Eligibility:
- Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 GPA, based on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicant must be a resident of Michigan.
- Applicant must be enrolled or planning to enroll at an accredited university or college for the 2024 fall term and/or 2025 spring term.

Evaluation: Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria: academic and other achievements, community service and other volunteer work, personal statement of educational and career goals, essay, letters of recommendation, and GPA. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Notification: All applicants will be notified on the status of their application by May 1, 2024.

Section 1. Applicant Information

Applicant's First and Last Name:_____

Address:_____City:_____State:_____Zip Code:_____

Preferred Phone:_____Secondary Phone:_____

E-mail Address: _____

GLE or Truestream Account #, if applicable:_____

Name on Account:_____

Service Address: _____

High School Attending or Attended: _____

Address: _____City: _____State: _____Zip Code: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____ Cumulative GPA: _____

Information for the school you plan to attend as a part-time or full-time student in the fall of 2024 and/or spring of 2025:

Name: _____

Address: _____City: _____State: _____Zip Code: _____

Intended field of study: _____
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Section 2. Achievements, Community or Volunteer Service, Work Experience & Personal Statement
In a separate document, please include the following:
- Academic achievements/awards/honors
- Extra-curricular activities
- Community or volunteer service and relevant dates
- Work experience, including unpaid internships, including employer, responsibilities and dates of employment (resumes accepted)
- Briefly discuss your future educational and career goals (250 words maximum)

Section 3. Essay
Choose <u>one</u> of the following questions:
1) Why are you interested in a field related to Electrical Engineering or Information Technology, and what do you like about spending time in western and/or northern Michigan?
2) Electric cooperatives operate based on seven cooperative principles (please refer to www.electric.coop/seven-cooperative-principles). Which of these principles do you think is most important and why?
3) How has Great Lakes Energy or Truestream personally impacted you and/or your family?

Section 4. Documentation
Attach and return the following documents along with all completed sections of the application:
- Official transcript.
- Two signed letters of recommendation: (1) character reference (non-family member/non-teacher) and (1) academic reference (teacher, coach or principal).

Note: A high-quality digital photo will be requested from the scholarship award recipients for GLE use on website, social media and/or print publication.

I certify the information contained in this application is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that incomplete applications will not be considered.

Applicant's Name (print): _____

Applicant's Signature: _____Date: _____