GUERNSEY-MUSKINGUM ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

Your Touchstone Energy® Cooperative

CHILDREN OF MEMBERS SCHOLARSHIP 2027

INSTRUCTIONS:

If you do not have Adobe Reader software, it is a free download available here: https://get.adobe.com/reader/. (If you do not want to install **McAfee Security Scan Plus** and **True Key™ by Intel Security,** uncheck their boxes prior to downloading.)

1. **Open the application file using Adobe Reader, and save it.**
2. **Complete the first two pages using Adobe Reader.**
3. **Save the file again, then print all pages.**

Take the application to a teacher and your guidance counselor to complete the faculty portion. It is preferred those sections are typewritten; however, they may be handwritten if necessary.

Applications and letters of recommendation must be received in the Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative office by 4:00 p.m. on February 5, 2027. Scholarship interviews will be held on February 20, 2027. Applicants will receive additional information by e-mail prior to that date.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Children of Members Scholarship Program is to encourage the children of Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative members to pursue higher education and invest in the development of tomorrow's leaders, empowering them to make a positive impact in their communities and beyond.

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Up to 15 - $1,000 scholarships will be awarded. One student will be chosen to represent Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative at Ohio's Electric Cooperatives' statewide competition for a chance to win up to $4,600 more in scholarships.

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RULES:

To be eligible for the GMEC scholarships, the following provisions will govern the acceptance of applicants:

1. Applicants must be the child or legal ward of a ***Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperativ***e member.
2. Applicants must be graduating seniors who have all basic credits for college or proper vocational or technical school entrance. A "proper vocational or technical school" is defined as a post-secondary institution where credits can be transferred to a state accredited four-year college.
3. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale or an equivalent standing on a nontraditional scale. Winners must provide proof of enrollment in an accredited college in order to claim their scholarship. Applicants who are accepted and then enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, working toward a degree, are also eligible.
4. Applicants ***may not*** be immediate family members of, or reside with, people who are employed by ***any*** electric cooperative in Ohio (employees, trustees, managers, OEC, ***or*** affiliated organizations such as Buckeye Power, Inc., RESCO, Cardinal Operating Company, etc.) .
5. Applications must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on forms furnished by Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc. **Applications must be received in the Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative office by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 5, 2027.** Application information must be confined to the official nomination form. The only attachments permitted are transcripts and **ONE** teacher recommendation.
6. Students are not permitted to bring any outside materials to their interviews (e.g., electronic presentations, props, handouts, etc.).
7. If the first-place winner does not meet Ohio Electric Cooperative's eligibility requirements including being a permanent residential electric cooperative member receiving service for the duration of the 2026-27 academic year (August 2026 - June 2027) or receives a "full-ride" scholarship (ie., scholarships that cover the cost of tuition, room, board and books) to the school of his/her choice, he/she will not be eligible to compete at the statewide level. Applicants who win an OEC scholarship and subsequently receive a full-ride scholarship following the Children of Members scholarship competition, must contact OEC immediately to forfeit this scholarship.
8. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by OEC. However, an extension of one year may be granted for just cause in the judgment of the president of OEC. In the event students are unable to fulfill their enrollment obligation under this program, the awards are forfeited.

MAIL OR DELIVER THE APPLICATION TO:

Guernsey-Muskingum Electric Cooperative, Inc.

17 S Liberty St, New Concord, OH 43762