



WDEA Scholarship Program Requirements and Selection Criteria

The Western Dakota Energy Association will award five \$1,000 scholarships this fall to students enrolled or planning to enroll in an energy-related field at a North Dakota college, university or technical school.

Scholarship selection criteria may include, but is not limited to:

- Prior academic performance
- Recommendations from instructors and employers
- Information about an applicant's career, academic or other relevant experiences
- Statements indicative of the applicant's motivation, character and ability
- The applicant's place of residence and intended career path *
- Evidence of applicant's scientific or other special talent
- The applicant's financial need
- Previous military experience

** Priority will be given to students who plan to work in the oil/gas or coal industry in North Dakota.*

Applications must include:

The WDEA Scholarship application form

Copy of a transcript indicative of recent scholastic performance

Up to a 300-word essay on applicant's interest in energy development

Applications may also include:

Letters of reference from instructors, employers, clergy or public officials

Description of involvement in extra-curricular activities

Description of community service involvement

Statement of financial need

The application deadline is September 30, 2023. Scholarship winners will be announced at WDEA's annual meeting October 11-12 in Dickinson.

Scholarship payments will be made in the student's name to the academic institution upon receipt of documented educational expenses. WDEA reserves the right to withdraw a scholarship award if any recipient fails to complete the required coursework in their chosen field.