



**GREAT
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2017 North Dakota High School Scholarship Application

2875 3rd St. SW • Underwood, ND 58576-9659

Name: _____

Age: _____

Address: _____

Home phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Parents' or guardians' names: _____

Name of high school: _____

Name of North Dakota college that you will be attending this fall and what major you will be seeking:

Are you a U.S. citizen? ___ Yes ___ No

Student signature:

Date:

Parent signature:

Date:

Application must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2017

2017 North Dakota High School Scholarship Program Requirements

Please include the following information in your application:

1. The attached activity form listing your:
 - Extra-curricular activities
 - Volunteer activities
 - Jobs that you have held (including farm-related jobs).

For each of the above, include number of years involved, any awards or special achievements earned and a contact person for verification.
2. Your most recent high school academic transcript.
3. A two-part essay:
 - PART ONE:
Tell us about yourself, including highlights in your school, community and personal life. Below is a list of topics to help you guide your essay content; use some or all of the topics in your essay to help the scholarship committee get to know you. Tell us about:
 - Why you are the best candidate for this scholarship
 - Your future goals and plans—personal and career
 - A specific attribute or accomplishment that sets you apart from others applying for this scholarship
 - PART TWO:
Explain how your future career will play a role in North Dakota's energy future. This can either be as a direct job in the energy industry (power plant operator, supervisor, lab worker, maintenance mechanic, etc.) or an indirect job that has an impact on the industry such as a teacher who includes energy education as part of a curriculum, a doctor who works in coal country, etc. ***(Think outside the box.)***

The essay must be typed, double-spaced and a maximum of three pages long. Correct grammar, spelling and neatness are an essential part of this essay.
4. One letter of reference from a teacher, counselor or employer.
5. The attached application form, completed and signed.

Mail the completed application packet to the address below. Any applications postmarked after **March 31, 2017** will not be accepted.

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ND Scholarship Program-Anne Hansen
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Please note: All scholarship entries are confidential and will only be viewed by the Great River Energy scholarship committee. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

2017 Great River Energy Scholarship Program – North Dakota

Great River Energy, owner and operator of Coal Creek Station, Stanton Station and Spiritwood Station, sponsors a Scholarship Program for graduating seniors who are pursuing a four-year or vocational-technical degree.

This year, up to thirteen \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors from the following high schools in Oliver, Mercer, Stutsman and McLean Counties: Garrison, Max, Underwood, Turtle Lake-Mercer, Washburn, Wilton, Center-Stanton, Hazen, Beulah, Valley City, Barnes County North, Jamestown, and Montpelier.

Who is eligible?

- Any senior from Garrison, Max, Underwood, Turtle Lake-Mercer, Washburn, Wilton, Center-Stanton, Hazen, Beulah, Valley City, Barnes County North, Jamestown, and Montpelier High Schools. ***(Students do not need to be the child of a GRE employee.)***
- Any senior planning to enroll in a full-time course of study at a North Dakota college, university or vocational-technical school during the 2017-2018 school year. *Funds are to be used for educational costs only.*
- Must be citizens of the United States.

Who selects with winners?

The scholarship committee made up of Great River Energy employees will screen applications and make the final selections.

How do I get an application form?

Application forms are available from your high school guidance counselor or www.greatriverenergy.com/cooperativeway/ community or ahansen@greenergy.com.

What are the application requirements?

Students who apply for the scholarship must provide the following:

- A form detailing extra-curricular activities, community service and jobs held
- A recent transcript
- An essay on North Dakota's energy industry and how your career could play a role in the future of the energy industry
- A letter of recommendation
- The scholarship application

Where do I send the application?

The application must be sent directly to the following address by March 31, 2017:

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When will the scholarships be awarded?

Scholarships will be announced in May 2017. Scholarship funds will be awarded after the completion of the first semester of postsecondary school if the student has maintained at least a 2.5 GPA.

What are my obligations as a winner?

Except for the requirements outlined in this fact sheet, no obligations will be imposed upon the student as a scholarship award winner. Also, other than payment of the scholarship, no obligations or liability are assumed by Great River Energy.

Who can I contact for more information?

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