

The members of Matanuska Electric Association, Inc. invite you to apply for an

MEA 2023 Scholarship

The MEA Scholarship is designed to encourage individuals who are first-time college students, returning students, students participating in a vocational program, or students pursuing professional development that leads to a degree or certification.

See inside for details

MATANUSKA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION, INC. 2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Eight awards will be given totaling \$25,000: (1) \$7500, (1) \$5000, (1) \$2500 and (5) \$2000

RULES OF ELIGIBILITY

- A. Applicants must be active members of MEA or a dependent of an active MEA member who resides in MEA's service territory. MEA Scholarship Committee members or their dependents may not apply.
- B. Applicants may be graduating seniors from an Alaska secondary school, returning students, or be attending or planning to attend a college or vocational school or program.
- C. Awards are for students who will attend an accredited college or vocational school in the summer or fall of 2023 and be enrolled in a course of study that leads to a degree or certificate.
- D. Applications and supportive documentation must be postmarked no later than March 17, 2023. Mail all materials to: **MEA Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 2929, Palmer, Alaska 99645**.

CHECKLIST

- 1. Transcripts from high school and/or college, trade or vocational technical school (up-to-date, unofficial transcripts may be submitted with this application). Transcripts and letters are NOT required to be sealed.
- 2. Completed application (see Page 3).
- 3. One to two-page essay. Prompt: Write about a problem or issue that you've seen affect your community (state, regional, or local), and what steps you'd take to help address that problem or issue?
- 4. At least one letter of reference from one the following (signed and dated no earlier than August 2022): Academic/School, Work/Volunteer or Personal/Character Reference.
- 5. Statement of Financial Plan (must balance, see page 4)
- 6. Active MEA Member MUST Sign Page 5 (See Reference Item "A" above)
- 7. Finalists may be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee (see next page for more information).

You are encouraged to review each supporting document to ensure that requirements are met, such as signature, date, and completion of forms. Failure to comply with detailed instructions may result in disqualification of your application.

MEA Scholarship Application (please print - use additional pages if necessary)

Name (Last, First, MI):					
Mailing Address:					
Apartment/Unit:	City:	ST	Γ:	Zip Code:	
Home Phone:		Cell Phone:			
Email Address:		SSN (optional):			
Parent/Guardian Name:					
Parent/Guardian Address:					
School presently attending:					
Years attended:	Date of graduation (or anticipated date):				
Program/Area of Concentration for college or vocational training:					
List by year, for the last four years, your employment history (if any):					
List by year, for the last four years, your community service endeavors (if any) – include cumulative hours:					
List by year, for the last four year	rs, your extracur	ricular activities	(if any):		

Statement of Financial Plan for college or vocation program of first choice

(for 2023-2024 Academic/Program Year)

This Financial Plan is intended to demonstrate your understanding of the financial resources required to complete your educational program. It is not for verification purposes.

Sources and Uses of Funds must balance.

SOURCES:	
Savings	
Summer job/work income	
Parents/guardians	
Scholarships applied for (2022-2023)	
Grants/loans	
Other sources	
TOTAL:	
USES:	
2023-2024 Tuition	
Books/fees	
Room & board	
Personal expenses	
Travel	
Child care	
TOTAL:	

Scholarships will be awarded at MEA's 2023 Annual Membership Meeting on April 25th at 6:00 p.m. at the Palmer Train Depot. Winners are encouraged to attend and be recognized for their achievements.

Please consider me for the vocational scholarship.

MATANUSKA ELECTRIC ASSOCIATION'S SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE WILL AWARD THE 2023 SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Committee, comprised of MEA members from around the MEA service territory, will select the winners based on the merits of completed applications, which must include: a transcript, a completed application, an essay, at least one letter of reference, and a financial plan. Finalists may be interviewed by the Committee. The Committee will award at least one vocational scholarship, should applications for such be submitted.

Scholarships awarded to high school students may be announced at high school commencement ceremonies or senior award nights if requested.

Proof of college/school acceptance must be submitted prior to award disbursement. Disbursement of the award will be made following receipt of verification of enrollment from the school. All scholarship awards will be made payable to the educational facility and *not* the scholarship winner.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all answers to the preceding questions are true and correct. I understand that any false answers or deliberate omissions on this application may be grounds for rejection of this application and withdrawal of any award granted.

Applicant's Signature	
Applicant's Printed Name	Date
Active MEA Member's Signature	MEA Member Number
Active MEA Member/Applicant Relationship	Date

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Questions? Call Sabrena Combs: 907-761-9284

Mail all materials to: MEA Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 2929

Palmer, Alaska 99645

