

Three Rivers Electric Cooperative's **Gilbert G. Hilkemeyer Scholarship**

Three Rivers Electric Cooperative is pleased to announce the application process for the Gilbert G. Hilkemeyer Scholarship. The scholarship was established in 1991 in honor of former manager Gilbert Hilkemeyer to provide assistance to students within our service area who want to attend college or learn a skill in a vocational institution. Schools eligible include public, private, junior colleges and vocational institutions within the State of Missouri.

This is a **\$2,000** scholarship which will be awarded to one deserving student. A three-person committee will look over all applications, interview the finalists and then choose the scholarship recipient based on the interview, grade point average, ACT scores, school, church and community activities, and recommendation letters. ***Award Process: Three judges from outside TREC will review all applicants and ask that the top students attend an interview. Interviews will be in person at TREC's headquarters office in Linn on a date decided by the judging team. Students chosen as finalists must attend the interview to be considered for the scholarship.***

The scholarship is available to high school seniors whose parents or guardians are members of Three Rivers Electric Cooperative.

Application forms are made available to all area high schools. Applications can also be obtained on our website at www.threeriverselectric.com or by calling the Cooperative's Member Service Department at **1-800-892-2251**.

Please take the time to fill out the application in its entirety and submit it – along with all other requested materials to:

**Scholarship
Member Service Department
Three Rivers Electric Cooperative
PO Box 918
Linn, MO 65051**

Through this program, the Cooperative gives back to you, the member, by investing in the future through the next generation.

***Applications Due
Tuesday, April 8, 2022***

Three Rivers Electric Cooperative's Gilbert G. Hilkemeyer \$2,000 Scholarship 2022 Application

Eligibility: *Student must be a high school senior attending a public, private or junior college within the State of Missouri. Parents or legal guardian must be a Three Rivers Electric Cooperative member.*

Application Deadline: April 8, 2022

Incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration. To be complete, all pages of this application must be submitted with the requested information. Please type or print clearly with dark ink.

Name: Last: _____ First: _____ MI: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: Street: _____

City: _____ County: _____ Zip: _____

High School: _____

Where do you plan to attend college or technical school?

School: _____

Address: _____

Have you been admitted? [☐] Yes [☐] No [☐] Pending Start Date: _____

Probable Major Field of Study: _____

Career Goal: _____

Cumulative GPA*: _____ **Class Rank/Size:** _____

College Entrance Test Score*: _____ **ACT**

**Please include a copy of your high school transcript and college entrance tests. Applications submitted without this information will not be considered.*

List significant school activities as well as church, civic groups & organizations, volunteer experiences, hobbies, etc. (Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary):

Honors & awards received (Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary):

List other **financial assistance or scholarships** you have received or applied for:
(Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary):

[illegible]

Essay: Compose a statement of not less than 300 words and not more than 500 words explaining your goals for the future and your professional ambitions. Tell us how this scholarship will help you fulfill your dreams and how it fulfills the cooperative principle “Concern for Community.” Definition of Concern for Community – While focusing on co-op owner needs, cooperatives work for the sustainable development of their communities through policies accepted by their owners. You can do something for the community even as you keep succeeding.

Letters of Recommendation

Please include three letters of recommendation – one from a teacher, one personal reference and one from an employer (if applicable). If there is no employer, please include another letter from a teacher or personal reference.

Parent(s)/Guardian you live with:

Father: _____ Employed at: _____

Mother: _____ Employed at: _____

Guardian: _____ Employed at: _____

Please list the name and account number of the member of Three Rivers Electric Cooperative who qualifies you for this scholarship (as it appears on our records).

Name

Account #

The following information is submitted for confidential use by the selection committee in determining need and should be provided by your parent or guardian. Indicate your family gross income (as filed on federal tax form):

☐ Less than \$30,000 ☐ \$30,000 to \$50,000 ☐ \$50,000 to \$70,000
☐ \$70,000 to \$90,000 ☐ \$90,000 to \$110,000 ☐ \$110,000 plus

Indicate number of dependent children reported on federal tax form: _____

Student Signature

Parent or Guardian Signature

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This \$2,000 scholarship is awarded in two phases: the first \$1,000 is awarded at the Cooperative's Annual Meeting the first Friday of August. In the event of an outbreak of COVID-19, a date for awarding the scholarship will be agreed upon by the recipient and the cooperative. The second phase will be awarded at the start of the recipient's second semester upon receipt of a copy of grades and the class schedule for the second semester. The recipient is also eligible for scholarship funds a second year with the submission of class schedule and grades.