



Carroll Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship

The Touchstone Energy Achievement Scholarship was created to reward those students who have committed themselves to the pursuance of a college education despite unique personal challenges which may have befallen them. This special scholarship rewards those students expressing the same values in their lives as the Touchstone Energy brand:

- **Accountability** – the candidate demonstrates a high level of maturity through accountability for their actions;
- **Integrity** – the candidate expresses highest stands of character;
- **Innovation** – the candidate demonstrates innovation and determination in coping with their circumstances;
- **Commitment to Community** – the candidate has good citizenship traits and a record of contribution to their local community.

Recommended criteria:

1. Applicants must be a graduating high school senior who has been accepted at an accredited four year college or two year technical school and is the son or daughter of a Carroll Electric Cooperative, Inc. member who is living on co-op lines and receiving electricity at the time of the competition.
2. The applicant should be at a minimum in the 60 percentile rank of their high school class with a minimum overall grade point of 2.75 (on a 4.0 scale).
3. Character: A Letter of Recommendation from an independent sponsor (school representative, church or community leader, etc.) that explains how the applicant's character has played a role in enabling him/her to succeed. Character traits such as integrity, innovation and accountability should be mentioned. Specific examples of situations that show these character traits and other strong traits are encouraged.
4. Special Achievements: A Letter of Nomination is required from a second independent sponsor outlining the nominee's relevant life experiences and traits which demonstrate determination in the face of adversity and/or commitment to community. Consideration will be given to nominees who have overcome personal or family handicaps, demonstrated achievement through personal initiative, good citizenship, etc.
5. Points will be distributed as follows:

Scholastic achievement	20 pts
Character	20 pts
Special achievement	50 pts
Co-op knowledge	10 pts
6. Four \$1,700 scholarships will be awarded.
7. Members of the immediate families and persons residing in the households of trustees, managers, distribution cooperative employees and OREC or affiliated organization employees are not eligible to participate in the competition.
8. Applications for Carroll Electric's competition must be submitted (typed to be accepted) on forms furnished by Carroll Electric and submitted by **February 1, 2012**.
 - a. Applications information must be confined to the official nomination form with no attachments other than grade transcripts, a Letter of Recommendation and a Letter of Nomination.
9. Any applicant who, at the time of the awards are made, has received a full scholarship (tuition, room, board and books) to the school of his/her choice is not eligible for a scholarship from OREC.
10. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by Carroll Electric. However, an extension of one year may be granted for just cause in the judgment of Carroll Electric's CEO. In the event a student is unable to fulfill his/her enrollment obligations under the program, the award is forfeited.