

2025 SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

NATIONAL PETROLEUM ENERGY CREDIT ASSOCIATION

I. PROGRAM

The National Petroleum Energy Credit Association (NPECA) has elected to provide five (5) one thousand-dollar (\$1,000.00) college scholarships and one (1) Jerry Dean Memorial Scholarship for one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for the calendar year 2025 which will be awarded to dependent children of Regular and Honorary NPECA members. The Education Committee administers the scholarship program.

II. ELIGIBILITY

- A. All scholarship candidates must complete an NPECA Scholarship application in its entirety and **application must be received by the deadline along with all the required documentation.**
- B. A **parent or guardian** of the dependent applicant must be an active **Regular or Honorary NPECA Member** for a minimum of one year prior to application, and also be a member on September 1 of the school year for which the applicant is receiving scholarship funds.
- C. Scholarship applicants must have a minimum of a 2.5 cumulative grade point average.
- D. Each scholarship recipient must be accepted at or be enrolled as full-time student in an accredited college and carry at least twelve (12) hours of college credit each semester.
- E. Graduate students are eligible.
- F. More than one dependent of the NPECA member, as described above, may be eligible to apply in the same year.
- G. Previous scholarship winners are eligible to reapply.
- H. Must not anticipate a majority of tuition for the upcoming two semesters to be paid by other scholarships or grants which do not have to be repaid.

III. APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- A. **Applications must be received by April 11, 2025.**
- B. Applications require a **cover letter and brief resume.** The resume should list community service, extracurricular activities, and employment. Eligibility will be partially determined by the applicant's overall **"well-roundedness."**
- C. SAT/ACT scores and **High School** transcripts are required for high school applicants. **College** transcripts are required for all others.

IV. SELECTION

- A. The Education Committee Chairperson will exclude information from the voting committee member packets which identifies the name of the applicant, applicant's parent or guardian, the parent's or guardian's employer, or applicant's past participation in the program.
- B. The Education Committee will be comprised of a minimum of five (5) members. In the event that the committee has less than three (3) voting members, the NPECA President will appoint additional members to complete the selection process. The committee chairperson will not vote.
- C. The committee will review each application to determine whether the applicant has complied with the eligibility requirements outlined in section II and the applicant's "well-roundedness" as outlined in the Section III Application Guidelines. Based on this criterion, the committee will vote YES or NO on whether the applicant qualifies for the current year scholarship scoring system. Applicants that qualify will be scored by each committee member based on a selected criterion established by the Committee and approved by the Board. The scoring will be based on the applicant's GPA, extracurricular activities, community service, work experience, achievements and overall application presentation. The Committee Chairperson will then tally the votes and the top 6 scores will be awarded the six scholarships.
- D. Any member of the Education Committee who is related to an applicant for a scholarship will not be allowed to vote.
- E. The Education Committee Chairperson will attend the Board of Directors meeting at the Annual Conference. At this meeting, the Committee Chairperson will present the scholarship winner's names to the Board.
- F. In the event there are fewer qualified applicants than there are scholarships, the remaining scholarships will not be awarded.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NATIONAL PETROLEUM ENERGY CREDIT ASSOCIATION

For the Academic Period 2025-2026

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

BE SURE TO ATTACH YOUR HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE TRANSCRIPTS, COPY OF SAT/ACT SCORES, COVER LETTER, BRIEF RESUME, AND PHOTO TO THIS APPLICATION FORM.

NAME: _____

 Last First Middle

ADDRESS: _____

Street	City	State	Zip
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PHONE:

BIRTHDATE: _____ TIME SERVED IN MILITARY: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME: _____

COMPANY: _____ POSITION: _____

CITY/STATE: WORK PHONE:

SUPERVISOR: _____ PHONE: _____

_____ (**Please check if true**) I am either a child or legal dependent of a member or honorary member of the National Petroleum Energy Credit Association. The member and/or I anticipate paying the majority of my higher education tuition for the next two semesters. I do not anticipate a majority of my tuition for the upcoming two semesters being paid by other scholarships or grants which do not have to be repaid. This statement must be checked to be eligible to apply.

I CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THIS APPLICATION IS CORRECT.

DATE _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE _____

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[illegible]

- 2. List volunteer activities in which you have participated without pay in the last four years (such as community service).**

[illegible]

- 3. List jobs and internships, you have held in the past four years.**

[illegible]

4. Achievements

Describe one achievement that has given you the feeling of greatest achievement or personal pride.

5. Essay

_____ Please complete a brief essay answering one of the four questions below:

- 1) Share a time when you demonstrated leadership and the impact it had on those around you.
- 2) How have you overcome a significant challenge in your life, and how has it impacted your personal growth.
- 3) Discuss a community service project you have participated in and the impact it had on the community?
- 4) Who has been your biggest influence or inspiration.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN APRIL 11, 2025.

MAIL APPLICATION TO:

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