



OPERATION ROUND UP SCHOLARSHIP

THE OPERATION ROUND UP SCHOLARSHIP WAS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS WHO SEEK A COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL SCHOOL EDUCATION.



Operation Round Up is an innovative program providing financial assistance to worthwhile projects on the South Plains and the Rolling Plains. The organization is funded by participating members of South Plains Electric Cooperative who volunteer to have their monthly electric bill rounded up to the nearest dollar. Each participant contributes about \$.50 per month into the Operation Round Up fund. With the help of our participants, Operation Round Up disperses funds for community projects, health care, educational scholarships and other worthwhile projects.

PURPOSE

The Scholarships provide financial assistance for qualified individuals who are seeking a college, university or technical school education.

Eligibility

The Scholarship is available to an entering freshman who is a member, or is a spouse, child or stepchild of a member, or child whose guardian is a member of the Cooperative; resides in the Cooperative service area; is a participant in Operation Round Up; and attends a qualifying school. **If you are not currently participating in Operation Round Up, we'll automatically enroll you when you submit the scholarship application.**

The list of qualifying schools includes: Abernathy, Anton, Aspermont, Childress, Chillicothe, Coronado, Cotton Center, Crosbyton, Crowell, Estacado, Floydada, Frenship, Guthrie, Hale Center, Home-schooled, Idalou, Jayton-Girard, Lorenzo, Lubbock-Cooper, Lubbock, Monterey, Motley Co., New Deal, New Home, Olton, Paducah, Patton Springs, Petersburg, Plainview, Post, Quanah, Ralls, Roosevelt, Ropesville, Rotan, Shallowater, Slaton, Southland, Smyer, Spur and Wilson. If you are attending a private school or are home-schooled, your application will be subject to eligibility verification.

A minimum of 20 scholarships are available, each for \$1,000, payable \$500 for each of two semesters through the freshman year. Satisfactory scholastic performance and appropriate personal standards must be maintained for continuing eligibility.

Students must possess the qualities of honor, integrity, thrift and good moral character. The Selection Committee evaluates each student on grades, community and school activities, awards and honors, educational goals and financial need.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Selection Committee is the Board of Directors of Operation Round Up. All scholarship awards are at the discretion of the Scholarship Selection Committee.

APPLICATIONS AND DEADLINE

Applications can be completed online at www.SPEC.coop. Paper copies are available by contacting Cheryl Wampler at South Plains Electric Cooperative, (806) 775-7856, e-mail at cwampler@SPEC.coop or from your high school guidance counselor. **Applications must be postmarked by Thursday, March 1, 2012. For online applications, all parts must be completed and submitted by 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 1, 2012.**

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Instructions:

1. The Scholarship Selection Committee will not get a copy of this top sheet, so they will not know the applicant's name.
2. Counselor must complete the information box giving an applicant's grade point average on a numerical scale of 0 to 100, with 100 being the absolute top of the scale.
3. A high school transcript must accompany this application. Seniors must be attending a school within the Cooperative's service area.
4. Please type or use black ink to complete the application.
5. If you have any questions, call Lynn Simmons, South Plains Electric Cooperative at (806) 775-7826.
6. Online applications and all supporting documents must be submitted by 5:00 PM on **Thursday, March 1, 2012**. Mailed applications and all supporting documents must be postmarked by **Thursday, March 1, 2012**, and mailed to:

**South Plains Electric Cooperative, Attn: Cheryl Wampler
P.O. Box 1830, Lubbock, TX 79408**

| FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Verified SPEC membership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Verified relationship to SPEC member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Verified Operation Round Up participation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Transcript |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Answers to Questions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Counselor box |
| | Application number _____ |

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Mailing Address: _____

Applicant's Phone Number: _____ (Home) _____ (Cell)

Guardian 1 name: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Guardian 1 address: _____

Guardian 2 name: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Guardian 2 address: _____

Applicant's E-Mail Address: _____

Applicant must complete this box with South Plains Electric Cooperative member information

SPEC Account Number: _____ Name on account: _____

Address for SPEC Account: _____

- Applicant's relationship to SPEC account holder:
- ___ applicant is the South Plains Electric Cooperative member
 - ___ applicant is the spouse of South Plains Electric Cooperative member
 - ___ applicant is the child/stepchild of South Plains Electric Cooperative member
 - ___ applicant's family receives housing and utilities as part of employment compensation from a South Plains Electric Cooperative member
 - ___ other, please explain: _____

Application Number (assigned by office staff): _____

High School: _____ High School graduation date: _____

Were you employed during high school? _____ Where? _____

How many hours per week were you working? _____

Do you plan to work while attending college? _____ Where / Hrs per Week? _____

Colleges you may attend (2 max): _____

Have you been accepted to this school? _____ Major: _____

How many other scholarships have you applied for? _____

Number of siblings living at home: _____ Number of siblings who will also be attending college this year: _____

Guardian 1 Job / Guardian 2 Job: _____

Please provide answers to the following questions on a separate sheet of paper and submit them with this application:

- A. In outline form, list your community and school activities and your level of involvement. Only cover the past four years.
- B. Which community or school related activity was most important to you and why?
- C. In outline form, list your awards and honors. Only cover the past four years.
- D. Which award or honor was most important to you and why?
- E. What are your career goals and how will continuing your education help you meet your goals?
- F. We understand that continuing education is expensive, but what other reasons do you have for needing this scholarship?
- G. What was your worst mistake and what did you learn from it?

Transcript (check one): [] Applicant will Mail [] Counselor will Mail

Counselor's E-mail Address: _____

This box must be completed by applicant's high school counselor

Applicant's grade point average on a numerical scale of 0 to 100 with 100 being the absolute top: _____

Counselor comments, **do not use applicant's name:** _____

Counselor signature: _____ Date: _____