



Tony Elfering Memorial Scholarship

Official Rules

1. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please fill out the applications in its entirety. **If item is not applicable, please place N/A in the blank.**
2. The scholarship will be awarded to a student to defray the cost of tuition, books, or room and board at an accredited institution of higher learning approved by the Idaho Rural Water Association.
3. Disbursement of the scholarship will be made upon delivery to Idaho Rural Water Association of recipient's college or university invoice as proof of full time enrollment for the fall semester (must attend school within 12 months of the scholarship being awarded, or the scholarship will be forfeited).
4. The scholarship money will be paid directly to the student.
5. Recipient must be a full time student (12 credits) **or** working for member system and attending an institution of higher learning.
6. Recipient must be full time employee, board/council member, or dependent thereof to a current member system with full voting rights.
7. **Application must be completed and postmarked no later than January 25, 2019.**
8. Application for scholarship constitutes permission to use applicant's name and/or likeness for purpose of promotion of scholarship.
9. Idaho Rural Water Association employees, board members, and their immediate families are not eligible.
10. Applications will be evaluated on a comparative basis at the discretion of the Idaho Rural Water Association Scholarship Committee. Essays will be evaluated by a third party essay review board.
11. Decisions will be final.
12. Application material and decisions of the Committee shall be confidential.

Please add any other activities that you are involved with, including clubs, extracurricular activities, and work related activities. Attach extra sheets as needed.

Letters of Reference

Two letters of reference must be provided for award consideration. One letter should be from a teacher/professor or school counselor and the other from a non-school reference.

College or University Data

Is this your first year of higher education? _____

If no, please indicate starting year: _____

Number of credit hours completed: _____ College GPA: _____

Number of credit hours required to graduate: _____

School Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Please indicate type of degree program, i.e. 4 year degree, 2 year degree, or vocational school:

Major course of study: _____

Financial Data

Are you personally financially responsible for your housing costs? Yes or no _____

If you are receiving other financial aid, please itemize by name and amount:

Name: _____ Amount: _____

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Please describe any other circumstances that influence your need for financial assistance:

Essay

On a separate page, in 350 words or less, write a brief essay on the topic "The Importance of Safe, Clean Water in My Life".

Photograph and local newspaper

Application must include a 5" x 7" **color** photograph along with the name and address of your local newspaper. This information will be used to notify the media should you be selected as a scholarship winner and to create a small biography presentation for IRWA.

Newspaper name: _____

Address or phone number: _____

Certification

In submitting this application, we certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of our knowledge. We have read and understand the scholarship eligibility requirements. If awarded a scholarship, all funds received shall be used to attend the institution of higher learning indicated in this application. False information submitted as part of this application will result in the revocation of any scholarship granted.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you are under 18 years of age, we require a Parent/Guardian Signature to verify your information is correct.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Submit application by mail only and postmark by January 25, 2019.