



2019 BLUEBONNET SCHOLARSHIP OF EXCELLENCE — TRADE AND TECHNICAL

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative will award 30 \$2,500 Scholarships of Excellence to eligible high school seniors graduating in 2019. The scholarship is for students who are pursuing a trade or technical certificate or associate degree in a vocational field.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR A SCHOLARSHIP OF EXCELLENCE

To be considered for a Bluebonnet trade and technical scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be a 2019 graduating senior of a high school or an accredited Home Extended Studies program.
- Reside in the home of a parent or legal guardian who is a current Bluebonnet member with an active account and whose primary residence is within the outer boundaries of Bluebonnet's service area (including city limits that are within those outer boundaries); attached affidavit must be completed and signed before a notary public by parent or legal guardian.
- Provide a copy of current high school transcript.
- Submit a completed 2019 Bluebonnet Scholarship of Excellence application, which is available at bluebonnet.coop (click on Community, then Scholarships). Answers on the application form may be typed or hand-printed. The application must be signed and delivered to a Member Service Center or postmarked by **5 p.m. March 8, 2019**.

STUDENT APPLICATION JUDGING CRITERIA

Applicants will be required to write an essay of 150 words or less answering the question "What trade, technical or vocational field are you planning to study, and why?"

Applicants attend interviews with scholarship judges if requested.

INSTRUCTIONS / INFORMATION REGARDING THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Scholarships of Excellence requirements are available through area high school counselors and vocational instructors, Bluebonnet's Member Service Centers and online at bluebonnet.coop (click on Community, then Scholarships).

- Application may be typed or hand-printed, signed and submitted at a Bluebonnet Member Service Center in Bastrop, Brenham, Giddings, Lockhart or Manor or mailed to Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Attn: Karen Urban, P.O. Box 729, Bastrop, TX, 78602. Applications must be delivered or postmarked by 5 p.m. March 8, 2019.
- All applications and attachments become the property of Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc., and will not be returned. Recipients will be notified by mail on or before April 10, 2019.
- The Scholarship Awards Reception for recipients will be Monday, April 22, 2019, at 6 p.m. at Bluebonnet's Headquarters, 155 Electric Ave., Bastrop.

REVIEW AND JUDGING PROCESS

All applications will be reviewed and verified by Bluebonnet's Scholarship Committee.

SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT

The \$2,500 scholarship will be paid in one lump sum to the financial aid, scholarship or business office of the applicant's chosen school in July 2019 and applied to the recipient's school account.



2019 TRADE AND TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant's name: _____

Mailing & 911 address: _____

City & ZIP code: _____

County: _____

Home phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

Date of birth: _____

Applicant's email address: _____

Last four digits of Social Security number: _____

Parent(s) / legal guardian(s) name(s): _____

Bluebonnet member's name on the account: _____

Bluebonnet member's account number: _____

Bluebonnet member's relationship to applicant: _____

Name of high school: _____

Expected high school graduation date: _____

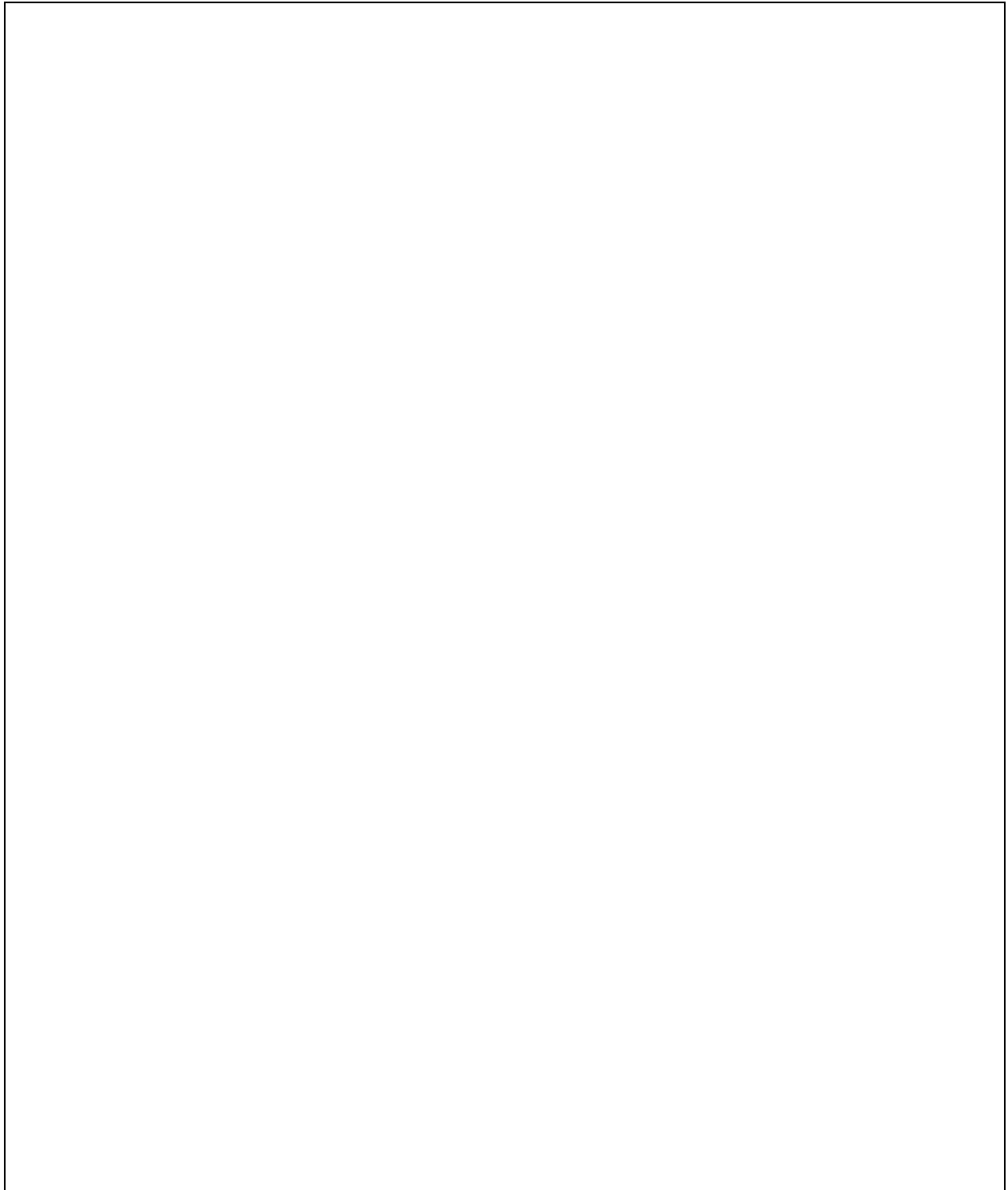
Trade and Technical Program applicant is interested in attending and location of school (If you have already been accepted, list only that school and attach a copy of the letter of acceptance.):

Your chosen field of study: _____

ALL BLANKS MUST BE COMPLETED

NARRATIVE: 150 words or less

What trade, technical or vocational field are you planning to study, and why?

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APPLICATION PROCEDURES

Scholarship applications will be considered if Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc., has received all of the following in person or postmarked by **March 8, 2019**:

1. A completed application (typed or hand-printed), signed by applicant and parent or legal guardian.
2. Affidavit of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator, signed & notarized.
3. Copy of current high school transcript.
4. 150-word narrative: "What trade or technical field are you planning to study, and why?"
5. Photograph release form, signed.

Submit all the above at a Bluebonnet Member Service Center or mail to:

**Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc.
Attn: Karen Urban
P.O. Box 729
Bastrop, TX 78602**

Applications must be received or postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday, March 8, 2019. Applications must be complete and signed with all required attachments included.

Winners will be notified by mail on or before April 10, 2019.

A Scholarship Awards Reception will be Monday, April 22, 2019, at 6 p.m. at Bluebonnet's Headquarters, 155 Electric Avenue, Bastrop.

I agree to permit the review of this application and my school records by members of the Bluebonnet Scholarship Committee.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



PHOTOGRAPH RELEASE FORM

For good and valuable consideration, the full receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I grant to BLUEBONNET ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., ("Bluebonnet") permission to take and publish photographs of me and/or the minor child or children listed below and/or of property owned by me, including photographs taken with others, and to allow Bluebonnet to use, re-use, publish and re-publish the photographs, in whole or in part, individually or in connection with other material, in Bluebonnet-related editorial, promotional or marketing materials in any and all media, including the Internet, Bluebonnet's website, online and video-based marketing materials, as well as other publications published, endorsed or sponsored by Bluebonnet, whether in print form, online, or any other magnetic, optical, electronic and online form of publication or transmission, without restriction as to alteration, and to own all rights to said photograph(s).

I acknowledge and agree that the photographs taken by Bluebonnet are taken with my voluntary consent and that neither I or any minor child listed below will receive financial compensation of any type associated with taking or publication of the photographs or participation in Bluebonnet marketing materials or other Bluebonnet publications, and that the publication of said photographs confers no rights of ownership or royalties to me or said minor child or minor children whatsoever.

I represent and certify that I am of legal age. I represent that I have full authority to execute this Release Form. I release and hold Bluebonnet harmless from any reasonable expectation of privacy or confidentiality for me or the minor child and children listed below associated with the photographs. I fully release Bluebonnet from any and all claims and demands that may arise out of or in connection with the use of the photographs, including without limitation, claims for libel or violation of any right of publicity or privacy. If a minor child is listed below, I certify that I am the parent or legal guardian and have full authority to execute this release on behalf of each minor child listed below and agree that we both shall be bound thereby. I certify that I am not under any legal disability and that I have read the foregoing carefully and fully understand the contents and meaning of this release. This authorization and release shall inure to the benefit of Bluebonnet, its successors, assigns, legal representatives, and licensees and shall be binding upon me and my heirs, legal representatives and assigns.

Date: _____

Signature: _____ Printed Name: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

Names & Ages of Minor Children: _____

Relationship to Minor Children: _____

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF _____

**AFFIDAVIT OF PARENT, LEGAL GUARDIAN, OR
PRIMARY MANAGING CONSERVATOR**

On this day, _____ (*printed name of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator*) appeared before me, the undersigned notary public, and after being sworn on his/her oath, stated the following:

“1. My name is _____ (*printed name of Parent, Legal Guardian, or Primary Managing Conservator*). I am over the age of 18 years, and I am competent to make this affidavit.

2. I am a member in good standing of Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc., and my primary residence is in the service territory of Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc.

3. I am the _____ (*parent/legal guardian/primary managing conservator*) and have primary custody and control of _____ (*printed name of child*) who is applying for a Bluebonnet Scholarship of Excellence.

4. _____ (*printed name of child*) lives with me full time at _____ (*complete mail and street address*) in _____ County, Texas.

5. I have no current plans to move out of the Cooperative’s service territory.

6. I authorize Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc. to take and use photographs of _____ (*printed name of child*) in various publications if awarded a Bluebonnet Scholarship of Excellence.”

Signature of Affiant

Printed Name of Affiant

SUBSCRIBED, SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE ME, by _____ on this the _____ day of _____, 20____.

Notary Public, State of Texas