

## TRADITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM GUIDELINES

## **Eligibility**

To be eligible, the applicant must:

- 1. Be a high school senior committed to attending, on a full-time basis, an accredited post-secondary institution (4-year college, 2-year community college, trade or technical school etc.),
- 2. Provide Bedford Rural Electric Cooperative with copies of your high school transcript,
- 3. Be the dependent of a Parent or Guardian, whose primary residence is served by the Bedford Rural Electric Cooperative (<u>Bedford REC director and employee dependents are not eligible</u>),
- 4. Submit applications to Bedford Rural Electric must be postmarked by April 15,
- 5. Submit at least one reference letter from a teacher, counselor, or school administrator.

## **Scholarship Details**

- 1. The Bedford Rural Electric Cooperative will award four (4) \$1,500.00 traditional scholarships.
- 2. The winners must prove that they are enrolled in an accredited institution. The Cooperative will submit the payment directly to the institution/school where the student is attending.

## **Selection Criteria**

The scholarship winners will be determined by a committee of Cooperative members, using the following criteria:

- 1. Scholastic achievement.
- 2. Grade Point Average (GPA),
- 3. Evaluation of an essay (300 typed words), telling us about yourself, why you deserve this scholarship, future goals, what you hope to achieve, and
- 4. Extracurricular Activities, Work Experience, Community and Civic Involvement, and Volunteer Activities.