

Pella Cooperative Electric “At-Large” Scholarship
Rules and Instructions

1. There will be no discrimination on the basis of age, sex, race, national origin, creed, religion, marital status or disability.
2. The recipient shall be a graduating high school senior in the application school year (August – May) from any high school, excluding Pella High School and Pella Christian High School (these students should apply through the Pella Dollars for Scholars program).
3. The recipient shall be a U.S. citizen living in a home currently served by Pella Cooperative Electric (if a minor, his/her parents/guardians must be members).
4. Those individuals not eligible for scholarships are family members of directors and/or employees of Pella Cooperative Electric. Family is defined for this purpose as ancestors, spouse, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and spouses of children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren.
5. All applications shall be completed in full and filed with the Pella Cooperative Electric Scholarship Committee after applicant has completed three and one half years, or the equivalent in hourly credits, of high school. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**
6. The applicant shall furnish a transcript showing three and one half years of high school grades, or the equivalent in hourly credits. All transcripts shall be retained by the scholarship Committee whether or not the applicant is granted a scholarship. All information supplied by the applicants will be considered confidential.
7. Applications must be postmarked on or **before May 1, 2010.**
8. Selection of scholarship recipients will be made after review of all completed applications by the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, CEO, and Communications Coordinator of Pella Cooperative Electric.
9. Scholarship check will be made payable to the financial office of the educational institution. The scholarship recipient is responsible for providing correct mailing and student account identification information. Checks must be used for educational costs.
10. Scholarships will be paid in one installment (August).
11. Application will be considered complete when the following items are received in one packet:
 - a. Completed Application Form
 - b. High School Transcript
 - c. Two complete “Character Evaluation and Recommendation Forms”
 - d. Personal Letter
 - e. Answer to Question: Why Are Cooperatives Important?

Pella Cooperative Electric "At-Large" Scholarship
Application Form for Scholarship Award

Please type or print legibly. Return this form **postmarked no later than May 1, 2010** to:

Pella Cooperative Electric
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 106
Pella, IA 50219

Applicant Information

Name _____
Last *First* *Middle*

Address _____
Street *City* *Zip Code*

Home Phone (____) _____ Cell Phone (____) _____

Email Address _____

Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____

Family Information

Pella Cooperative Electric account number _____

Name as listed on Cooperative membership _____

Name of Applicant's parents or legal guardians _____

College Information

Please list all schools to which you have made application for admission. Please fill in the appropriate circle to indicate you have been accepted by the school and if you plan to attend.

_____ Accepted Plan to Attend
School *City*

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School *City*

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School *City*

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School *City*

What is your chosen field of study? _____

High School Information

I am currently attending _____
High School *City*

My grade point average is _____ on a _____ scale as of _____ / _____ / _____
Date

My A.C.T. composite score was _____ (if available).

My S.A.T. composite score was _____ (if available).

List all college level or related courses taken _____

List any scholastic award you have won or achievements that you feel should be considered in grades 9 – 12:

List the activities to which you have devoted time or which have been important to you. (Include 4-H, scouting, church, National Honor Society, sports, drama, etc.)

References Information

List the names and addresses of two personal references. Have each reference complete the "Character Evaluation and Recommendation Forms". One reference should be completed by an educator (high school superintendent, principal, guidance counselor, advisor, or teacher in your chosen field of study). The other should be completed by a person in the community (minister, employer, etc.) Please do not obtain recommendations from relatives.

Educator _____
Name *Address* *City* *Zip Code*

Community Person _____
Name *Address* *City* *Zip Code*

Application Information

To complete your application, the Scholarship Committee must receive in **one packet** all of the following:

1. Completed application form
2. Your high school transcript (at least three and one half years)
3. Two completed "Character Evaluation and Recommendation Forms"
4. A personal letter stating your educational goals, work and personal experiences, and any special circumstances surrounding the application that you feel we need to consider.
5. Answer to the following question: **Why are cooperatives important?**

All information supplied by the applicants will be considered confidential. The completed application and accompanying material will be retained by the Scholarship Committee as a permanent record of the applicant. **Only complete applications will be considered for the award.**

If you have any questions regarding the application form or accompanying documents, please feel free to call:

Pella Cooperative Electric
PO Box 106 / 2615 Washington Street
Pella, IA 50219

Phone: (641) 628-1040 or toll free (800) 619-1040
Email: service@pella-cea.org

Pella Cooperative Electric “At-Large” Scholarship
Character Evaluation & Recommendation Form

Applicant's Name _____

Note to Student: Please have **two** people complete separate copies of this evaluation form. These references must not be relatives. One should be an educator (high school superintendent, principal, guidance counselor, advisor, teacher in your chosen field of study, etc.) The other should be a person from the community (minister, employer, neighbor, etc.)

Note to Evaluator: We would appreciate your observations and opinions about the applicant in the following areas. Your evaluation will be given considerable attention by the Scholarship Committee. Please be as specific as possible. This information will be treated in a confidential and professional manner. Please return the recommendation in a sealed envelope to the student so that they can return with their scholarship application. Thank you.

Cooperation / Personality:

Consider the willingness and ability to work with people in various capacities; interaction with people.

Initiative / Judgment / Common Sense

Consider the resourcefulness, ingenuity, and foresight in making everyday decisions.

Leadership / Reliability

Consider ability to motivate a group of people in a desired direction, as well as dependability, willingness, and honesty.

Additional Comments:

Signature of Reference: _____

Please Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____