



OHIO LINE SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Scholarship Application Rules 2025

Purpose: To support the education and career development of children of local cooperative employees, the Ohio Line Supervisors Association (OLSA) offers this scholarship program.

Scholarship: Three scholarships will be awarded: \$2,000, \$1,500, and \$1,000. **Online applications must be completed by February 3, 2025:** <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2025OLSA-Freeland>

Eligibility Provisions: The following provisions govern the eligibility of applicants for this scholarship:

1. Applicants must be a son, daughter, legal ward, or resident in the household of an Ohio or West Virginia Rural Electric **distribution cooperative** employee.
2. Children of electric co-op trustees, OEC staff, and affiliated organizations' staff **do not qualify**.
3. Applicants must be graduating seniors with all base credits for college or **proper technical school* entrance, **or** students who have graduated but not attended post-secondary school.
4. Applicants must have a GPA of "C+" (2.5) or better.
5. Application information must be confined to the online application. Required attachments: school transcripts, and a 500-word max. letter of recommendation from a teacher on school stationery.
6. OLSA scholarship judges will select up to 10 finalists for personal interviews in Columbus. Finalists will be notified by email of the interview date, coordinated by OEC.
7. Finalists with "full-ride" scholarships (tuition, room, board, **and** books) **are not** eligible for OLSA scholarships.
8. Finalists who win scholarships from OEC or affiliated organizations in other competitions are not eligible for this competition.
9. Scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year after proof of enrollment is received by OLSA. An extension of one year may be granted for just cause by the OLSA president. If winners cannot fulfill their enrollment obligations, the awards will be forfeited.
10. Applicants cannot bring outside materials to their interviews (electronic presentations, props, handouts, etc.).
11. Cooperative knowledge questions are based on the Online Orientation <https://www.ohioec.org/freelandolsa> course, which takes about 30 minutes to complete. Applicants are recommended to finish this course before interviewing.

** Proper technical school means one beyond high school where credits can be transferred to a state-accredited four-year college.*

JUDGING:

Judges will score nominees based on:

1. Scholastic record: up to 40 points
2. Personal achievement, school, and community activities: up to 30 points
3. Personal interview (poise, personality, appearance): up to 15 points
4. Cooperative knowledge: up to 15 points

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