



2023 Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship Instructions

Take the application to your guidance counselor to complete page three. It is preferred those sections are typewritten; however, they may be handwritten if necessary.

Mail or deliver the completed application to:

NWEC Scholarship Coordinator
04125 State Route 576
P O Box 391
Bryan, OH 43506

Applications and attachments must be received by **4:00 pm on February 17, 2023**. Scholarship interviews will be held on **March 14, 2023** at Defiance College and all eligible applicants are required to participate on that day in order to be considered for the scholarship award. Additional information will be mailed to the applicants prior to that date regarding specific interview times.

Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship Details

PURPOSE:

The following scholarship award program is offered by North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc. (NWEC) and awarded by Edgerton Area Foundation in memory of Gertrude Studer. She spent her entire life in rural Edgerton in homes serviced by North Western Electric Cooperative. Gertrude is credited with attending every annual meeting of the cooperative since its inception. She also loved attending the Williams County Fair and was involved in the local 4-H and FFA organizations throughout her life.

Gertrude passed away in February 2017 at the age of 109. The Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship was created to encourage and reward rural Williams County students who have been involved in the 4-H and/or FFA organizations and who have committed themselves to the pursuance of further training and education while also offering the students an opportunity to become more aware of careers available in a rural electric cooperative.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:

One winner will receive a \$500 cash award. The award is non-renewable. The disbursement of the award will be administered by Edgerton Area Foundation.

RULES:

To be eligible for the Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship award, the following provisions will govern the acceptance of applicants:

1. Applicants must be the son, daughter or legal ward of a permanent residential NWEC member-owner receiving service for the duration of the 2022 - 2023 academic year (August 2022 – June 2023). Children/wards of NWEC'S commercial member-owners are not eligible unless one of their parents/legal guardians is also a permanent residential NWEC member-owner.
2. Applicants must be a permanent resident of Williams County and attend a high school located within Williams County.
3. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of **3.0 or above** on a 4.0 scale.

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RULES (cont.)

4. Applicants must actively be involved in a local 4-H and/or FFA organization.
5. Winners must provide proof of enrollment in an accredited college or proper vocational/technical school of the student's choice to claim their scholarship. Winners, who are accepted and then enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, working toward a degree, are also eligible.
6. Members of the immediate families and persons residing in the households of trustees or employees of NWEC are not eligible to participate in the competition.
7. Applications must be submitted on forms provided by NWEC or downloaded from www.nwec.com/scholarship-programs and must be submitted to the NWEC office by **4:00 pm on February 17, 2023.**
8. A short essay is required that explains how the applicant's involvement in 4-H and/or FFA has enriched their lives, assisted in the development of their personal character and enabled him/her to succeed. The essay must be at least 800 words and must be typed, double-spaced. Guidelines are attached to this document.
9. Application information must be confined to the official application form with no attachments other than grade transcripts and the required essay.
10. Applicants who receive "full-ride" scholarships (i.e., scholarships that cover the cost of tuition, room, board and books) to the schools of their choice are not eligible for scholarships from NWEC.
11. All scholarships must be accepted in the first academic year following the student's graduation from high school. However, an extension of one year may be granted for just cause in the judgment of the President/CEO of NWEC. In the event students are unable to fulfill their enrollment obligation under this program, the award is forfeited.
12. Applicants are not permitted to bring any outside materials to their interviews (e.g., electronic presentations, props, handouts, etc.).
13. All rules stated within this document conform to the policies and program guidelines as set forth by NWEC.
14. These rules (dated hereon) supersede all previous rules for this scholarship.

JUDGING:

The judges, following personal interviews with each eligible applicant, will score up to a maximum of:

- 40 points for personal interview with the judges relating to poise, personality and appearance.
- 20 points for scholastic record.
- 15 points for essay (clarity of subject, spelling and grammar).
- 15 points for community involvement, participation in 4-H and/or FFA activities and personal achievement.
- 10 points for cooperative knowledge, based upon an online training course which can be found at www.ohioec.org/orientation. A transcript of the course can be downloaded for study purposes once you have completed the course online.



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2023 Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship Rules for Essay

The North Western Electric Cooperative Gertrude Studer Memorial Scholarship was created to honor Edgerton native Gertrude Studer who was dedicated to her family, her electric cooperative and to her local 4-H and FFA organizations.

Each applicant must submit a short essay describing how the applicant's involvement in 4-H and/or FFA has enriched their lives, has assisted in the development of their personal character and has contributed to their ability to succeed. The suggested outline will answer the following points:

- Why did you join 4-H and/or FFA?
- What types of activities have you been involved in since you joined?
- What specific goals as a part of the organization have you achieved and how did you achieve the goals?
- Why do you think your involvement in the organization will help you to succeed at college/vocational/technical school?

The essay must be at least 800 words and must be typed, double-spaced. Please place your name and address at the top of each page.

Please return your completed essay by attaching it to the application form.

Deadline to submit is 4 p.m. on Friday, February 17, 2023.



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Applications must be submitted to North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc.
An official school transcript and student's essay must be attached.

Deadline Date: February 17, 2023

THIS APPLICATION FORM MUST BE TYPED TO BE ACCEPTED

1.) Have you received a "Full Ride" scholarship to the school of your choice?
2.) Is your parent/legal guardian a permanent residential member-owner of North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc.?
If you answered Yes to question 1 and/or No to question 2 - Thank you for your interest in our scholarship, but you do not qualify.

Name: Phone:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Date of Birth: Age:

Student's Email:

Parents' Names:

Parents' Emails:

Parents' Phones:

Name of Your School:

By what college(s) or accredited technical schools have you been accepted?

Majors?

Official School Transcript and Student's Essay must be attached.

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SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

List the special achievements accomplished during your high school years either related to school activities or other than school activities.

Table with 3 columns: Activity, # of years, Remarks. Contains 5 empty rows for data entry.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS: (Other)

List of other accomplishments that show leadership skills, citizenship achievements, work skills or unique challenges overcome to achieve an education:

Large empty rectangular box for listing other accomplishments.

STATEMENT OF APPLICANT, PARENT OR GUARDIAN

We have examined this application and the records are true, complete and accurate. In addition, we acknowledge and agree that North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc. may disclose any or all of the information contained in this application and the supporting documents and letters of recommendation, or otherwise provided in connection with this application, to the judges of the scholarship competition and to any employees of North Western Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Date

Applicant

Must be original,
handwritten signatures

Parent / Guardian (if applicant is under 18 years of age)

These signatures are to be affixed prior to forwarding the application to high school officials.



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This page may be typed or hand written.
This page is to be completed by the High School Principal or Counselor.

Scholarship Applicant's Name: _____

SCHOLASTIC RECORD

High school scholastic record by years: Attach transcript of applicant's grades signed by school official.
Applicant's information must be confined to the official nomination form with no attachments other than
grade transcripts and a copy of grade point scale, if applicable.

Class Rank: Junior Year # out of # / Senior Year # out of # /

Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____ (must be 3.0 or above)

Since grade-point scales vary by district, please provide a brief explanation of your school's grade-point
scale (e.g. "out of a possible 4.0") or include a copy and /or description of the scale with the transcript:

ACT Composite (if applicable): _____

SAT Composite (if applicable): _____

List Scholastic Awards Won: (Local, county, district or state)

Print Name: _____ Position: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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