



Valley Telecommunications Coop. Assn. \$500.00 Scholarship for Scholars 2017 Application

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Qualifications:

- ☎ Applicant is currently a high school senior scheduled to graduate in 2017
- ☎ Applicant intends to attend a College/University/or Vo-Tech school
- ☎ Applicant must reside with a Parent/Legal Guardian within the Valley Telco service area and the Parent/Legal Guardian must have had active telephone service with Valley Telco during the entire past 6 months. (Valley Telco serves Herreid, Pollock, Glenham, Mound City, Eureka, Hosmer, Ipswich, Leola, & Long Lake)
- ☎ Immediate families to full time Valley Telco employees and/or Directors are not eligible applicants

To Apply

- ☎ Applicant must complete the attached questionnaire and return to Valley Telecommunications no later than **April 3, 2017** (responses must be typed & this original form must be returned)
- ☎ A headshot picture of the applicant should also accompany the completed application. *By completing this application, you are authorizing Valley to use your photo for newsletter and press release purposes. Photos will not be returned.* **Scanned photos, digital photo files, and/or faxed photos ARE NOT acceptable.**
- ☎ Each applicant may only apply for **ONE** Valley Telco service area's scholarship award.

Scholarship Award:

- ☎ The Scholarship winner will be selected from an Independent Third Party Judge. Awards may be distributed at graduation or awards banquets, dependent upon the high school's wish. The winners will be officially announced in Valley Telco's June 2017 monthly newsletter, *Valley News*.
- ☎ Scholarship will apply towards **2nd semester** tuition at a College/University/or Vo-Tech institution of higher learning.
- ☎ To redeem the certificate, the scholarship recipient must provide Valley Telco with a copy of a paid invoice for 2nd semester tuition. Valley Telco will then reimburse the awardee by issuing a check for the scholarship amount that is then paid directly to the scholarship winner. A Paid invoice copy must be received no later than 90 days from the date of original College issued invoice.
- ☎ Valley Telco Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of (9) \$500 awards. One Student that resides within each Exchange may be chosen. A total of nine possible scholarships will be awarded. **Late applications are not eligible.**

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605-437-2615
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Applications received not meeting all the criteria will not be considered.
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Please complete application in its entirety. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

To Be Completed By The Applicant

Applicant's Name

Address

Name of High School Currently Attending:

City State Zip

Home Telephone

Name of Parent or Guardian

Please complete the following questionnaire on a separate sheet of paper. Typed responses are required – please include the question with your answer and attach your answers to this form. A photo MUST be included with your application – see qualifications.

1. What high school activities have you been involved with during the past 4 years?
2. What College/University/Vo-Tech school have you selected to attend & what subject do you plan on majoring in?
3. What effects do you see technology having in your education and your future?
4. What are some of the differences in the style of businesses between a cooperative such as Valley Telco and a corporation?
5. **In your opinion, what is the importance of rural cooperatives in South Dakota? (Must be between 350-500 words. Essay may be published in a future edition of Valley News.)**
6. How has living in a rural area influenced your decision to further your education?
7. Why do you feel you are the best qualified to receive the Valley Telecommunications Coop. Assn. \$500 Scholarship for your telephone exchange?

**GUIDANCE COUNSELOR or HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL – Official School Stamp Required
PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION & SIGN TO ITS VALIDITY:**

Applicant's GPA: _____ Applicant's Overall Class Rank : _____ / _____

Guidance Counselor/Principal Signature: _____

Date: _____

Official School Stamp Required:

VALLEY TELCO OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date Received:






Active Telephone Account:



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Application Checklist

-  Completed Application Form
-  Completed Questionnaire – Typed responses required
-  Yearbook Style Photo for publication (*must be high resolution...no scans or faxes*)
-  Guidance Counselor/Principal Signature with GPA/Class Rank information
-  **Official School Stamp Required**

Please return application and above requirements by April 3, 2017 to:

Valley Telecommunications
% Scholarship Application
PO Box 7
Herreid SD 57632-0007