



2026

Second Year or Beyond Scholarship Application

Application Checklist

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- ✓ College Transcript
- ✓ Educator Letter of Recommendation
- ✓ Photo
- ✓ Response to Questions

Submit scholarship application by May 29, 2026.

West Central Telephone Association Second Year or Beyond Scholarship Application

Purpose

The purpose of the West Central Telephone Association Second Year or Beyond Scholarship is to assist local students attending college. Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 will be awarded to one or more students who graduated from high school and who are from any one of the 5 (five) districts of the Association and are now attending 2nd year or beyond higher education.

Eligibility Requirements

1. Must be enrolled, or plan to enroll, full-time (12 credit hours or more for undergraduates, 9 credits or more for graduates) in a course of study leading to a certificate, diploma, license, associate, bachelor, master's degree or Ph.D. at an accredited two or four year college, university, vocational or technical college.
2. Must have completed high school associated with any one of the 5 (five) districts and/or currently be a member of the West Central Telephone Association.
3. West Central's employees, board members, spouses & children are not eligible.
4. Must be in satisfactory academic standing (minimum of "C" average).

Instructions

1. Complete the West Central Telephone Association Second Year or Beyond Scholarship Application online, print, and sign by the candidate.
2. Attach an official current college transcript.
3. Attach a letter of recommendation prepared by an academic counselor or teacher, noting scholastic and leadership abilities, and ability to succeed.
4. **Attach a wallet sized photo** to be used only for publicity for scholarship recipients.
5. Return completed application by **May 29** to:

West Central Telephone
Attn: Second Year or Beyond
PO Box 304, Sebeka, MN 56477

Recipients will be notified by July 1st.

Use of Information

The information submitted in this application is confidential. Demographic, academic, financial and any other information will be used only by the scholarship committee. Personal information about scholarship winners may be used in local publicity and press releases.

Selection Process

Selection will be based on the following factors: course of study, financial need, leadership skills, scholastic achievements, community involvement, work history, and expressed desire to work in a rural community.

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Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____ Date of Birth _____

If Applicable: Name of Area High School Attended _____

If Applicable: Parents or Guardians, their Address and Telephone Number proving Affiliated
Membership _____

Name & Address of Current College or Program During Your Second Year or Beyond Studies:

Have you previously been awarded any other scholarships for this upcoming academic year?

_____yes _____no

If yes, list scholarships and amounts:

Cumulative College GPA _____

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

(Information provided is confidential and will only be used for West Central Telephone Scholarship purposes.)

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Academic Achievements:

Extra-Curricular Activity Involvement:

Community Involvement & Work History:

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On a separate sheet of paper, answer the questions below. Limit your response to a total of no more than one typed page.

1. With your goals in mind, what field or course of study do you plan to major in and why; and how does this fit into a rural community?
2. Are there any special circumstances that will affect your costs or need for assistance? Ex. Other family members attending post-secondary schools at the same time, or disabilities requiring special equipment or services. If so, explain.
3. Provide any additional information that you feel is appropriate and that you would like to share for consideration by the Scholarship Committee.

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