



INLAND POWER & LIGHT EXCELLENCE AWARD

Inland Power is proud to offer the Excellence Award Scholarship program awarding 15 - \$1,000 scholarships for the 2026/2027 college school year. ***This scholarship is available to students pursuing further education at a community college, university or trade school.*** The Inland Power board of trustees and Community Foundation has established the following criteria:

1. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DEFINITION

- The program is exclusively for active Inland Power members and their children. The program includes college students who are members or students who can still be claimed as legal dependents of Inland Power members. (Legal dependent is defined as one who is claimed on their parent or guardian's tax return).
- Owners and their dependents of business entity members are eligible for this program provided that their principal residence is on Inland Power's lines.
- 15 - \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to students attending accredited schools in any state. Scholarship checks will be paid directly to colleges, universities and trade schools.
- Scholarship recipients may reapply the following year. However, at least 10 of the 15 scholarships awarded will be reserved for new applicants.

2. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

- The Inland Power Community Foundation board will review applications and select the scholarship recipients.
- Relatives of committee members are not eligible to apply for a scholarship.

3. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

- Students (high school seniors or above) are required to submit a completed application and requested information to be eligible and considered for the scholarship.
- Scholarships will be awarded based on the following criteria:
 - Official transcript and grades = 25%
 - Essay = 35%
 - Personal profile = 35%
 - Two letters of recommendation = 5%
- After the closing date of **Thursday, January 15, 2026** the selection committee will meet in February and recipients will be chosen and notified in early March.



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To apply for the Inland Power Excellence Award, please complete the application form and the requested information described below. Applications must be received via email, in the office or postmarked by **Thursday, January 15, 2026** to be eligible for this scholarship.

1. APPLICATION

Please email completed applications to communityfoundation@inlandpower.com. All emailed documents must be in **PDF form**. Images and screenshots of documents will not be accepted.

You can also mail or deliver your complete application to the following:

MAILING ADDRESS

Inland Power & Light
Attn: Scholarship Committee
PO Box A
Spokane, WA 99219-5000

PHYSICAL ADDRESS:

Inland Power & Light
10110 W Hallett Rd.
Spokane, WA 99224

**Regardless of delivery method,
all applications are due by
Thursday, January 15, 2026**

2. TRANSCRIPTS

Submit an official copy of your high school and/or college transcript for the last 12 months. Both are needed if the student has not been attending college for a full year. High school seniors will need to submit your junior and senior year grades. An official transcript often includes an official seal or tamper proof marks or is enclosed in a sealed envelope with the outside flap stamped with the school seal. Transcripts can also be mailed directly from the school to Inland, but must be clearly marked with the applicant's name. Inland is not responsible for lost documents. **If transcripts will be mailed from the school, please indicate that on your application.**

3. LETTERS OF REFERENCE

Include two letters of reference. One reference must be from a teacher or other school faculty member. Applicants may not submit letters of recommendation written by family members.

4. PERSONAL PROFILE

In 250 words or less, describe why you believe you should be considered for the scholarship. Please detail any special circumstances. Include your school involvement, community/family service and work experience.

5. ESSAY

Please choose one of the following essay topics below. The essay must be between 500 to 750 words. Please type your selected essay topic at the top of your essay. Applications are kept anonymous, so please do not refer to yourself or any family members by name. In your own words, write an essay based on one of the following topics:

Please describe in your own words:

1. How would you get the American public more involved/aware of what is going on in the country?
2. What do you think is the biggest problem the U.S. faces at this time?
3. Describe a book or article that has inspired you and why?
4. Describe the solutions you would propose to improve or resolve a current issue, such as healthcare, the economy, discrimination, etc.
5. Do you feel like you are prepared for this next step in your life? Why or why not?
6. If you could have lunch with any famous person, dead or alive, who would that be and why?

***Application packets without all sections completed will not be accepted or reviewed.
Please do not staple or put application into any kind of folder.***



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APPLICATION FORM

Students please provide the following information and send with the requested application requirements. Decisions and awards will be made by committee members of the Inland Power Community Foundation. All decisions are final.

Name of applicant/student (First, Middle, Last): _____

Date of birth: _____

Name of member (parent/guardian): _____

Inland member number: _____

Address: _____

City, state, zip: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Current High School or University: _____

Transcript mailed by school? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Have you received the Inland Power scholarship before? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I declare that I am the member or legal dependent of the above Inland member and the enclosed information is correct to the best of my knowledge. (A legal dependent is defined as one who is claimed on their parent or guardian's tax return.)

Applicant Signature

Date