




Peace River Electric Cooperative, Inc.

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The Peace River Electric Cooperative Charitable Foundation College Scholarship Guidelines and Instructions 2010

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In 2005, Peace River Electric Cooperative (PRECO) became one of over 300 not-for-profit electric cooperative's nationwide to adopt a community assistance program called "Operation Round Up". This program also provides funding to encourage and inspire students to achieve scholastic goals through individual scholarships.

Recipients of this scholarship are subject to certain conditions of enrollment, usage of scholarship funds, requirement of grades and certain other criteria, including good moral character. Conditions of scholarship will be explained in a letter to the recipient of the scholarship. Acceptance of funds by the recipient will constitute acceptance of the terms of the scholarship.

In selecting the recipients of this scholarship, the scholarship committee will consider the following: scholastic achievement, character, leadership, service, career and life goals and any other pertinent information or circumstances that may heighten the need for this scholarship. Scholarships will not be awarded solely based on need, nor will need be a predominate basis upon which any determination is made.

### Conditions of applicant eligibility:

- 1) Scholarships are to be made available to PRECO members and their dependent children only (incl. legal guardianship)
- 2) Applicant must have a permanent address within the ten county service territory of Peace River Electric Cooperative,
- 3) Applicant must have a strong "C" or above grade point average (GPA)

### The applicant must:

- 1) Fill out the application honestly and completely,
- 2) Provide transcript of grades from high school,
- 3) Provide at least one of the following:
  - a) ACT: minimum score of 18 or better,
  - b) SAT: minimum score of 1320 or better,
  - c) CPT minimum scores: Reading-83, Sentence skills-83, Elementary Algebra-72
- 4) Attach a typed, double spaced essay describing in 75-100 words, your educational, career, and life goals. Include why you have chosen this goal and how you will give back to your community/society,
- 5) Submit three (3) letters of recommendation, mailed separately from: adult, non-family members (such as employer, teacher, religious leader, mentor, club sponsor, coach, etc.),
- 6) Submit Educator's Recommendation Form (mailed separately),
- 7) Submit additional information upon request.



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**SCHOLARSHIP CONDITIONS**

The terms and conditions on which the scholarships are to be made are as follows:

- 1) The scholarship will be available to the student for the immediate four academic years following the student’s high school graduation (first year after graduation, if non-renewable). Applicant must prove eligibility.
- 2) The scholarship shall be granted only to graduating high school seniors or individuals with a high school equivalent.
- 3) Scholarships will be announced and awarded in the spring prior to recipient’s graduation, but are contingent and subject to the scholarship recipient graduating from high school and passing any required graduation exam(s).
- 4) The scholarship will be paid by the Foundation directly to the educational institution for credit to the student’s account at the institution, with notification of receipt to be received from the educational institution.
- 5) In order to qualify for the scholarship, the student must attend a four-year institution, two-year institution, community college, technical school, vocational school, or continuing education institution of the scholarship recipient’s choice, provided that such school chosen is an accredited institution.
- 6) In order for the scholarship funds to be received for the benefit of the scholarship recipient, the student must enroll on a full-time basis at the institution selected; which full-time status must be certified by the institution. Failure to qualify as a full-time student will result in a rescission of the scholarship with the funds being returned from the institution to the Foundation.

**-Incomplete or late applications will not be considered-**

**Guidance Office Checklist**

**Your school’s guidance counselor must complete, sign, and mail this form to Peace River Electric Cooperative, Inc. Your scholarship application and all supporting documents must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2010.**


- \_\_\_\_\_ 1) Attach transcript
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2) ACT, SAT, or CPT
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3) Applicant's cumulative high school GPA, excl.spring semester of senior year (*signify weighted or unweighted*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4) 2010 *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) Report **OR** last IRS filing
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5) Student’s essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6) *Educator’s Recommendation Form* and three letters of recommendation (*mailed separately*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7) Professional, full-color student class photo (*for publication purposes only - judges do not see photo*)

\_\_\_\_\_ | \_\_\_\_\_  
Guidance Counselor’s Signature | Date

**Mail to: Peace River Electric Cooperative  
Attn: Operation Round Up Scholarship  
210 Metheny Road, Wauchula, FL 33873**



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**Applicant must be Peace River Electric Cooperative member or a dependent child of a member**

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2010  
Two-Year/Four-Year Accredited Institution**

**Name of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last First Middle

**Name of Parent/Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last First Middle

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Residence Address Mailing Address

\_\_\_\_\_

City County State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number Peace River Electric Co-op Member #

\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address

\_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number

| High School Attending: | GPA | SAT    |      |         | ACT |
|------------------------|-----|--------|------|---------|-----|
|                        |     | Verbal | Math | Writing |     |
| Name                   |     |        |      |         |     |

Date of High School Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_ GPA/Scale: \_\_\_\_\_

College Major or Interest of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

**Colleges Applied:**

| Name | Address | City | State | Accepted:<br>Y/N/Pending |
|------|---------|------|-------|--------------------------|
|      |         |      |       |                          |
|      |         |      |       |                          |
|      |         |      |       |                          |
|      |         |      |       |                          |

**All Scholarships or Grants-Applied for or Received:**

| Name of Scholarship | Amount | Renewable | Years |
|---------------------|--------|-----------|-------|
|                     |        | Y or N    |       |
|                     |        | Y or N    |       |
|                     |        | Y or N    |       |
|                     |        | Y or N    |       |

| <b>Community &amp; Extracurricular Activities:</b> |       |                |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------|----------------|
| Activities in Priority Order                       | Dates | Hours per Week |
|                                                    |       |                |
|                                                    |       |                |
|                                                    |       |                |

| <b>Honors &amp; Awards:</b> |                  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Honors/Awards               | Date(s) Received |
|                             |                  |
|                             |                  |
|                             |                  |

| <b>Applicant's Employment History:</b> |         |      |       |          |                    |
|----------------------------------------|---------|------|-------|----------|--------------------|
| Employer                               | Address | City | State | Zip Code | # of Hrs per/ Week |
|                                        |         |      |       |          |                    |
|                                        |         |      |       |          |                    |
|                                        |         |      |       |          |                    |

| <b>Other Members of Household:</b> |       |        |              |                   |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------------|-------------------|
| Last Name                          | First | Middle | Relationship | Attending College |
|                                    |       |        |              | Y or N            |
|                                    |       |        |              | Y or N            |
|                                    |       |        |              | Y or N            |
|                                    |       |        |              | Y or N            |

**Employment of All Other Household Members:**

| Name | Employer | Address | City | State |
|------|----------|---------|------|-------|
|      |          |         |      |       |
|      |          |         |      |       |
|      |          |         |      |       |
|      |          |         |      |       |

List any other special financial considerations: \_\_\_\_\_

The information contained in this statement is for the purpose of obtaining funding from the Peace River Electric Cooperative Charitable Foundation, Inc. (*The Foundation*) on behalf of the undersigned. Each undersigned understands that the information provided herein is used in grant funding decisions, and represents and warrants that the information provided is true and complete and that *The Foundation* may consider this statement as continuing to be true and correct until a written notice of a change is provided. *The Foundation* is authorized to make all inquiries they deem necessary to verify the accuracy of the statements made herein. I hereby grant consent for Peace River Electric Cooperative to publish the applicant's photo in newspaper, magazine, and other publications.

**Application and all other documents must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2010.**

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Attn: Operation Round Up Scholarship  
210 Metheny Road  
Wauchula, FL 33873**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# EDUCATOR'S RECOMMENDATION FORM 2010

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last
First
Middle

School: \_\_\_\_\_  
High School
Street or P.O. Box
City
State
Zip Code

County: \_\_\_\_\_

## To Be Completed By Educator/Counselor

1. How well, how long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you believe this student will continue his/her education until completion? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
3. In comparison to other students whom you have known at comparable stages of their development how would you rate the applicant in the following areas? If you are unable to evaluate an area, please leave it blank.

|                               | Excellent | Above Average | Average | Below Average |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------|---------|---------------|
| <b>Seriousness of Purpose</b> |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Initiative</b>             |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Maturity</b>               |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Adaptability</b>           |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Enthusiasm</b>             |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Emotional Stability</b>    |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Leadership</b>             |           |               |         |               |
| <b>Public Speaking</b>        |           |               |         |               |

4. Please list an example of how, in your association with the applicant, he/she has demonstrated one of the qualities shown above. Also, list any additional comments here.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

Title or Position

Date

**Do not return this form to the student. Must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2010.**

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