

Coleman County EC Scholarship Award Rules

PURPOSE: Coleman County Electric Cooperative provides financial assistance for qualified individuals who are seeking enrollment in an institution of higher education.

ELIGIBILITY: The scholarship is available to 2016 high school graduates who will be attending a college, technical school or university as a freshman. Other qualifications are: The applicant must be a child of a member, a grandchild of a member, or a child of a legal guardian who is a member of Coleman County EC. The applicant must reside with the active member whose residence is served by Coleman County EC.

APPLICATION: Applications are available at Coleman County EC, 3300 N. Highway 84, Coleman 76834, or you can obtain an application by printing it from our website, colemanelectric.org. The application must be typed or printed and completed in its entirety. The application must be signed and dated by the student and the parent or legal guardian. A billfold-sized picture of the applicant must be included with the application. All applications must be mailed to P.O. Box 860, Coleman, TX 76834 or turned in at the cooperative's office no later than June 30. Contact Tony Williams at (325) 625-2128 for any questions concerning the application.

DRAWING: The eligible applicants will be chosen via a drawing to be held in July at the cooperative's annual meeting. There will be eight separate drawings, one for each of the eight director districts of the cooperative's service area. Each approved applicant will then be designated to their correct district by the cooperative, according to their residential location.

SCHOLARSHIP: The scholarship is \$500, payable to the winner's qualifying college, technical school or university. The winner of the scholarship must be registered as a full-time student and provide the cooperative with the name, address, phone number and student identification number of the institution they are going to attend. The scholarship check will be made payable to the school's financial aid office, and the amount will be added to the student's account.



Keeping the curtains closed and using fans will help keep you feeling cool.

Summertime Savings Strategies

WE'RE FACING ANOTHER long, hot Texas summer! Here are several ways to use energy more efficiently and save some money on electricity:

Change the air-conditioning system's filter every three months during cooling season—and more if your neighborhood is especially dusty. Dirty filters reduce air-flow, which causes your AC to work harder and use more energy.

If you have a programmable thermostat, set the temperature higher during the day, then lower it an hour before you get home so it'll be cool upon your arrival.

Use ceiling fans. If you don't have any, consider getting them as a good investment. Install them in bedrooms, the kitchen and the living room. Fans move the air around and make the people in the room feel cooler. They help your air conditioner cool the house for less.

Close the drapes. A sunny day might look pretty through the window, but this can heat up your home and force the AC to work overtime. Keep curtains and blinds drawn on bright, hot days, especially on south- and west-facing windows.

If you have a pool, wait until after dark to run your pool pump. Operating it during off-peak hours when fewer people are using a lot of appliances at once can save money on your energy bill.

Switch your central air-conditioning system's fan to "auto." The "on" setting forces it to run constantly—even when your house is already cool.

Co-op Assigns 2015 Patronage Capital to Members' Accounts

CAPITAL CREDITS WERE RECENTLY allocated to accounts of Coleman County Electric Cooperative members for 2015. After the end of each fiscal year, cooperatives must determine what, if any, margins were made during the year and allocate these margins to its members' accounts. Your cooperative's margin is any money left after all operating costs have been paid for the year. Because members are owners of the cooperative, that money is allocated back to their accounts.

These capital credits will be returned to members at some time in the future, when doing so will not weaken the financial condition of the cooperative.

In the meantime, the funds remain invested in the cooperative plant while credited to each member's account, even though the member may have moved away from Coleman County EC's lines. It is very important that departing members keep the co-op informed of their current mailing addresses so that they can receive capital credits refunds when they are paid.

The Coleman County EC 2015 capital credits distribution totaled \$485,806.87, and the Golden Spread Electric Cooperative generation and transmission co-op's capital credits totaled \$480,140.63.

An individual's capital credits can be calculated by multiplying the member's total annual bill by the factor listed below for the appropriate consumer classification.

Notice that we have listed two columns below: One shows the factors for Coleman County EC's distribution (power sold to our members); and the other shows factors for our generation and transmission co-op (via power we purchase from Golden Spread EC). Being a member of Golden Spread EC has enabled us to return to our membership G&T allocations.

Type	Co-op	Generation & Transmission	Type	Co-op	Generation & Transmission
Residential	0.0456	0.0451	M.W.P. I	0.0028	0.0028
Irrigation	0.0508	0.0502	II	0.0053	0.0053
Commercial	0.0400	0.0395	III	0.0067	0.0066
L.P. Special	0.0186	0.0184			

In calculating your total bill, include the security light charge, but do not include any tax, service or miscellaneous charges.

If you have any questions concerning these calculations, please feel free to contact the co-op office for your correct allocation for 2015.



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SAVE THE DATE!

COLEMAN COUNTY EC

78TH ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Friday, July 15, 2016 • 5:30 p.m.
Coleman High School • Coleman



Power Tip

Avoid setting your thermostat at a colder setting than normal when you turn on your air conditioner. It will not cool your home any faster and could result in excessive cooling and unnecessary expense.

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