



2025 Curtis Wood Memorial Scholarship Application

Curtis Wood taught and served at Prairie View A&M University for many years as Professor, Director of Communications and in various other capacities. He also served as Board Member of San Bernard Electric Cooperative from 1977 to 1987. In his honor, we are delighted to be able to offer up to ten scholarships in his memory as the scholarship symbolizes his commitment to the youth of our community and to education.

Eligibility:

- Parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must be members of San Bernard Electric Cooperative.
- Must be a graduating senior at one of the High Schools in our service territory or an accredited home extended studies program. (Bellville, Columbus, Faith Academy, Hallettsville, Hempstead, Magnolia, Rice, Royal, Sacred Heart, Sealy, Waller, and Weimar High School)
- Applicant must show proof of enrollment to Prairie View A&M University
- The applicant must be in the top 50% of their graduating senior class.
- Applicant must be attending Prairie View A&M University in the fall of 2025
- Scholarship must be postmarked by **Monday, March 10, 2025** or emailed to Lsamford@sbec.org:

SBEC

ATTN: Scholarships

PO BOX 1208

Bellville, Texas 77418

Selection of Recipients and Disbursement of Funds:

Ten scholarships will be awarded. Recipients of the scholarships will be chosen based on the following:

Financial necessity - 40 percent

Written essay - 20 percent

Participation in community/school activities - 40 percent

The total scholarship award will be \$2,500 and will be disbursed the first two semesters of college attendance and shall be established in the sum of \$1,250.00 per student per semester. Recipients must provide a copy of their enrollment to Prairie View A&M University. At that time, SBEC will pay \$1,250/semester in recipient's name directly to the financial aid department. Student must maintain a 2.0 GPA for spring payment.

2025 Essay Format and Topic:

The essay will be evaluated based on the following: demonstrating an understanding of the subject matter, originality, composition, grammar and neatness. The essay should be typed, at least 500 words in length, 12-point font and double spaced. It should be written on the following topic:

Describe an accomplishment, event or realization and how it relates to your field of study and your future goals.

Deadline

A completed application must be received/postmarked by 5 p.m. on Monday, March 10, 2025. Scholarship recipients will be notified by mail. Completed application (including all necessary documentation) can be submitted by e-mail or mail.

Mail: San Bernard Electric Cooperative, Attn: Scholarships, PO Box 1208, Bellville, Texas 77418

E-mail: Lsamford@sbec.org

Name of Current School: _____

I have taken the SAT ACT Combined SAT Score: _____ Composite ACT Score: _____ Must attach copy of the score report(s).
 I have not taken the SAT or ACT.

Cumulative GPA: _____ Based on a 4.0 scale 100 point scale

GPA Certification: Signature needed if transcripts are not available. (High School Only)

By printing and signing below, I certify that the cumulative GPA written above is accurate and true.

Counselor Name: _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have been accepted into an accredited four year university/college, junior college or TEA-approved trade school? Yes No

School You Plan to Attend: _____ Intended Major: _____

Write a brief statement or summary of your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and long term goals.

Financial Information

Total Annual Income of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

- \$0 - \$19,999 \$60,000 - \$79,999
 \$20,000 - \$39,999 \$80,000 - \$99,999
 \$40,000 - \$59,999 \$100,000 or more

Total Annual Income of Applicant

- \$0 - \$4,999 \$15,000 - \$19,999
 \$5,000 - \$9,999 \$20,000 or more
 \$10,000 - \$14,999

Do you have a job now? Yes No Do you plan to work while attending college? Yes No

List job history for the last two-years:

Do you have younger or older siblings living at home or attending college/TEA-approved schools? Yes No

If yes, list ages and school for the 2023/2024 school year (no names):

1 - Age, School _____

2 - Age, School _____

3 - Age, School _____

Attach information for additional siblings if necessary.