

# 2019 Lakeland Electric STEAM Scholarship Application

Number of scholarships awarded: up to 8      Amount awarded: \$1,000

## Scholarship criteria

Minimum 3.0 GPA

Student must have at least 75 community service hours

Student must have a minimum SAT – 1170 or ACT – 26

Income is not considered

Parent/guardian must be Lakeland Electric customers

The student must demonstrate an interest in S.T.E.A.M activities and a desire to major in a S.T.E.A.M discipline. (If claims undecided major, please explain.)

Preference for students holding/held a job during high school career

Two additional essays required: **1.** Share a true story of how you or someone you know was positively impacted by Lakeland Electric. (You must have subject give permission to share their story.) **2.** Describe your interest in S.T.E.A.M subjects and state how intended college major is S.T.E.A.M related.

**This award administered by the Polk Education Foundation (PEF).**

**Application must be received by April 18, 2019. Send to:**

Polk Education Foundation

1530 Shumate Drive

Bartow, FL 33830

(863) 534-0519

**This scholarship is ONLY offered at the following schools:** Central Florida Aerospace Academy, George Jenkins Senior High School, Harrison School for the Arts, Kathleen High School, Lake Gibson High School, Lakeland High School, McKeel Academy, Tenoroc High School

## **ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:**

Completed application - You will print and complete this application, sign it and attach all the required items listed below. Please secure all items to application with one staple.

- Completed application
- A copy of your high school transcript
- Two additional essays: **1.** Share a true story of how you or someone you know was positively impacted by Lakeland Electric. (You must have subject give permission to share their story.) **2.** Describe your interest in S.T.E.A.M subjects and state how intended college major is S.T.E.A.M related.

Computer generate or print responses on entire application neatly in ink.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Your Mailing  
address \_\_\_\_\_

City, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

Wght.GPA \_\_\_\_\_ SAT score \_\_\_\_\_ ACT score \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Father's  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Employment \_\_\_\_\_

# people living in your home \_\_\_\_\_

# of family members attending college **including** you \_\_\_\_\_

Your past and Present Employment History \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Selected college or institution \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_ Intended college major \_\_\_\_\_

List all other scholarships for which you have applied and/or received other than those on this form:  
Scholarship Name, Amount per year, and if it is received, denied or pending.

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**Essay #1 – please type or computer generate Please attach to scholarship package.**

Use this essay to provide information on Ag participation, personal financial need, college and career plans, and any other information you feel would help in the selection process. Honors, awards, clubs, volunteer time, leadership roles and extracurricular activities may be included in your essay; however, do not send certificates, resumes or other documents as they are not considered.

**Minimum type size 11 point.**

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**Minimum type size 11 point.**

## SCHOLARSHIP STATEMENT

I understand that:

- (a) if my application is incomplete or does not contain all items on the eligibility check list, my application will not be considered, acknowledged or returned,
- (b) many scholarships will be decided based solely on the essay,
- (c) all supporting paperwork must accompany my application packet,
- (d) those other than Polk Education Foundation staff may review my application for the selection process
- (e) only those chosen to be interviewed will be notified by mail of interview date/time,
- (f) if requested, I must attend an interview or be disqualified,
- (g) only the recipients of the scholarships will be notified by graduation.

I further understand and agree that if I am chosen as a recipient:

- (a) I will attend the Senior Awards program at my high school to receive the award(s),
- (b) I will send a thank you note to the sponsor(s) of my scholarship(s) and a copy of the same thank you note to the Polk Education Foundation,
- (c) my scholarship check will not be released until my College Information Sheet and a copy of my thank you note has been received by the Foundation office,**
- (d) the Foundation may use my name and photo to publicize my award without any further compensation,
- (e) if I change colleges, it is my responsibility to request that the balance of funds be transferred back to the Polk Education Foundation to be reissued to the college I will be attending. I will notify the Polk Education Foundation of this in writing.
- (f) all monies received from a one-time award must be used within three years of my graduation. Any money remaining after that time will revert back to the Polk Education Foundation,
- (g) all scholarship checks will be sent on/about July 1 for fall enrollment

Student's

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Birth year if over 18 \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's

Signature \_\_\_\_\_