### **2025 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**



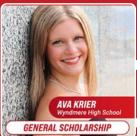








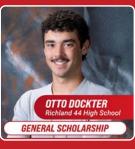
















# 2026 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

At Red River Communications, we believe in the power of education and the importance of supporting our youth in their pursuit of success.

We're proud to offer \$1,000 scholarships to 12 local graduating high school seniors who are members or customers of ours. Whether attending a university, community college, or technical school, we want to help you pursue your dreams and build a brighter future.

## APPLICATION AND INFORMATION: REDRIVERCOMM.COM/SCHOLARSHIP-PROGRAMS







SCAN FOR REFERENCE FORM

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 13, 2026



## RED RIVER COMMUNICATIONS 2026 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Red River Communications proudly supports students seeking higher education, whether in vocational fields or general studies. The parent or legal guardian of the applicant must have an active Red River Communications account in good standing and subscribe to a core service (local landline phone or broadband/internet).

# 12 SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE:

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS:

- EIGHT \$1,000 scholarships available
- Each scholarship awarded to a student who resides within our cooperative service territory.
- Parent/legal guardian of the applicant must be a member of the cooperative.

#### GENERAL CUSTOMER SCHOLARSHIP:

- ONE \$1,000 scholarship available
- Scholarship awarded to a student within our expansion service territory.

#### **VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP:**

- ONE \$1,000 scholarship available
- Scholarship for students pursuing an associate degree, credit-bearing certificate, or an industryrecognized credential at a vocational-technical school, trade school, two-year community college or state college.

#### TECHNICAL SCHOLARSHIP

- ONE \$1,000 scholarship available
- Scholarship for students interested in the fields of telecommunications and technology (STEM).

#### AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP

- ONE \$1,000 scholarship available
- Scholarship for students who plans to study for a career in (or connected to) the agricultural industry.

#### CRITERIA TO APPLY:

- Be a spring 2026 graduating high school senior
- All scholarships require the parent/legal guardian of the applicant to be subscribed to a core Red River service (local phone, broadband or TV) and that account be in good standing.
- · Be a United States citizen.
- During the last three years of school, applicants must have a grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.
- Be accepted by an accredited two-year or four year college or university, or vocational or technical school.
- When selecting the scholarship you are applying for, please note that some are field of study specific.
- Complete and sign the application. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### ADDITIONAL ITEMS NEEDED:

- TRANSCRIPT: Submit most recent high school transcript.
- PERSONAL REFERENCE Arrange for one personal reference (non-family member) Reference must complete the "Reference Form" and submit online or mail to:

Red River Communications C/O Red River Scholarship Program, PO Box 136, Abercrombie, ND 58001 or email to: scholarships@redrivercomm.com

- STUDENT PHOTO: Photo of the student, appropriate for publication.
- ESSAY: An essay (250 words or more) on the topic of: "How has Red River Communications and the services they provide, impacted your life."

#### **COMPLETED APPLICATION:**

The student must fully answer all questions for the application to be considered complete.

Online applications are preferred. If the student applying is unable to complete the application online due to technical or other circumstances, typed PDF applications will be accepted. PDF applications can be sent to:

Red River Communications C/O Red River Scholarship Program, PO Box 136, Abercrombie, ND 58001 or emailed to: scholarships@redrivercomm.com

**DEADLINE:** Applications must be **submitted online** or **postmarked** to Red River Communications, PO Box 136, Abercrombie, ND 58001 and must be postmarked before **March 13th, 2026.** 

#### AWARD PROCEDURE:

- · A selection committee will review applications.
- RRC award scholarships without regard to race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, or disability.
- Scholarships are awarded on a one-time basis and are not renewable.
- Winners will be notified by mail in April -May 2026. Also, RRC will make an award presentation at the senior awards night.
- HOW TO RECEIVE FUNDS: Students awarded a scholarship must submit a copy of their college or student transcript after completion of at least one semester of study. The transcript must include the student ID or account number.
- If a scholarship recipient withdraws from school or elects to attend a non-accredited school after receiving the scholarship, the scholarship will be terminated and any refunds from the school will be returned to the scholarship fund.
- If you change the institution of your choice, you must notify Red River Communications immediately so that funds can be redirected to the new school.
- Scholarship checks are mailed to the
   *Financial Aid Office* of the institution listed on
   the students first semester transcript. Checks
   are made out in the name of the institution.

# APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

Fully complete all sections of the application.
Write a 250 (or more) word essay
Request a copy of your high school transcript
Contact your reference
Give the selected reference the link or form to complete your reference. Confirm your reference knows to have it submitted on or before March 13th, 2026
Confirm with your reference the required paperwork is complete and submitted to Red River Communications
Upload your senior photo to your application or email it to: scholarships@redrivercomm.com
Complete & submit application by March 13th, 2026

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### **QUESTIONS:**

Contact the program directors, Donna Thiel or Kari Kleingartner at 701-553-8309 or email at: scholarships@redrivercomm.com

