



Touchstone Energy Scholarship

Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative will provide seven \$4,000 scholarships to students in our community. Special consideration is given to students who are greatly involved in their community, participate in extracurricular activities and have a financial need.

The scholarship is open to any senior attending Lexington Districts 1, 2, 3 and 5; Saluda and Columbia High Schools; and private schools within those districts.

I. Qualifications

- a. The Touchstone Energy Scholarship is intended to recognize students who:
 1. are active in service to others
 2. are goal oriented and aspire towards receiving a higher education
 3. need financial assistance and will NOT receive funding in excess of the cost of tuition, room and board.
 4. have at least a 3.00 Weighted GPA

PLEASE NOTE: family members (sister, brother, son, daughter, grandchild, niece, or nephew) of Mid-Carolina Electric employees, board members and their spouses are **not** eligible.

II. Application Process

- a. Applications should be submitted electronically by **February 15, 2026**.
- b. If chosen as a semi-finalist, a personal interview will be conducted via Zoom Video Conference in **March 2026**.

III. Judging Criteria

- a. The Touchstone Energy/Spirit of Cooperation Scholarship is intended to recognize those students who meet the above qualifications. The judges' selections are based as follows:

Community Involvement	35%
Personal Analysis and Interview	30%
Financial Need	20%
Extracurricular Activities	15%