

Retiree Scholarship

Requirements

- Upon graduation, student must plan to work in the telecommunications industry within the state of North Dakota.
- Applicant must be a junior or senior at an accredited four-year college or a student entering their final year at an accredited technical school or two-year college, enrolled in a curriculum studying a telecommunications related field.
- Download and complete application online at www.thinkpolar.com, **deadline: February 15, 2012.**
- Submit a one-page essay describing your future plans in the telecommunications industry.
- With your application, submit two letters of recommendation, one from a local community leader (telephone company personnel, elected officials, or local business representatives) and the other from one of your current educators.
- Include your most recent grade official transcript with your application.

Award Procedure

- \$5000 available (\$1000 minimum/\$1500 maximum) to students, who upon graduation, intend to work in the telecommunications industry within the state of North Dakota.
- Awards may be used for tuition, books, fees, supplies and equipment for instruction at accredited institutions of higher learning.
- Scholarships will be awarded on a one-time basis and will not be renewable.
- Award will be made payable to applicant and school of choice upon proof of registration at an institute of higher learning.
- Scholarship will be awarded without regard to race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex or disability.
- Polar does not guarantee that all awards will be given if there is an insufficient number of applications or if those received do not meet the established standards or criteria.
- Winners will be selected by a qualified committee of retired employees and directors of Polar Communications.
- Winners will be notified by mail by May 1, 2012.
- In the event scholarship awardee fails to work within the telecommunications industry in North Dakota within one year of graduation and/or fails to maintain employment for a period of one year, then the scholarship shall convert to a loan repayable to Polar Communications.

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Make sure to:

- Include your signed application form.
- Attach your official transcript.
- Attach your one-page essay.
- Attach your local community leader's letter of recommendation.
- Attach your educator's letter of recommendation.
- **Postmark your entry by February 15, 2012 to**
Polar Communications
P.O. Box 270
Park River, ND 58270

QUESTIONS: Call 701-284-4361
Email: clahaise@polartel.com



Application

Instructions:

- 1) Please print or type
- 2) Include all requested attachments
- 3) Postmark application to Polar Communications by February 15, 2012

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

Social Security Number _____

University or College Attending _____

Address of University/College _____

University/College Admissions Office Telephone _____

Have you been accepted for next semester? _____

Expected Graduation Date _____

Special Talents (Give specific examples of your special talents and how you have demonstrated them in your personal, community or academic life.) _____

School Honors and Awards _____

Community Activities in which you have been involved _____

Brief summary of your college plans _____

Brief summary of your career plans _____

Applicant Certification

I hereby certify that the information on this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby grant permission to Polar Communications to contact my references or school, if necessary, and to use my name and likeness in promotional materials in the event that I am selected to receive a scholarship.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Community Leader's Recommendation Form

Name of Applicant _____

College _____

Address/Telephone _____

How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant? _____

Please state why you feel this applicant is qualified to receive this scholarship _____

Name of person completing form _____

Title _____

Signature _____ Date _____

