



## WALTON EMC/WALTON ELECTRIC TRUST SCHOLARSHIP 2026

### CRITERIA

To be eligible to receive a Walton Electric Trust Scholarship, the following **must** apply:

1. You are a:
  - High school senior; or
  - Incoming college freshman with no more than 15 hours of college credit; and
  - Not a currently enrolled full-time college student; and
  - 21 years of age or less
2. Your home (i.e., your primary residence) is served electricity by Walton EMC.
3. You must graduate from high school or pass an equivalency exam by the end of the current school year and be enrolled in college or vocational-technical school in fall 2026.
4. A total of up to thirty-two (32) scholarships may be awarded. (The actual number of awards are at the sole discretion of Walton EMC/ Walton Electric Trust)
5. Each scholarship will be worth \$4,000 and will be non-renewable. The award will be paid in two increments of \$2,000 at the beginning of the first two semesters of enrollment.
6. The scholarship must be used at an accredited college, university or vocational-technical school and will be made payable directly to the chosen school.
7. A scholarship committee will judge the submitted scholarship applications. Finalists will be selected based on applications and attachments. Scholarship recipients will be chosen by a board sub-committee from among the finalists.
8. Finalists will be awarded a one-time amount of \$1,000, payable to the chosen school.

Note: These criteria apply only to scholarships to be awarded in 2026 and are subject to change in future years.

### INSTRUCTIONS

The online 2026 Walton Electric Trust Scholarship can be found at [waltonemc.com/trustscholarship](http://waltonemc.com/trustscholarship). Applications and all **documents** listed below must be uploaded and submitted through this link. Failure to adhere to these instructions will result in the delay in processing or disqualification of your application.

1. Address the following questions/points separately (not in essay format). Do not exceed 1,200 words total.
  - a. What do you plan to study and why?
  - b. What qualities set you apart from other potential applicants?
  - c. What experiences have you had that will help make you successful in your chosen vocation?
  - d. Describe a time when you had to overcome an obstacle to reach a goal.
  - e. Describe your involvement in school activities and/or your community.
  - f. Provide any additional information about yourself or your circumstances that you believe may help identify you as a deserving candidate.
2. A copy of your **high school transcript**.
3. **Two letters** of recommendation – one from a subject teacher, and one from another adult not affiliated with your school (employer, minister, youth leader, etc.). Do not use relatives. (If you are home-schooled, you may use two adults not affiliated with your home-school.) If these are coming separately, they will need to be emailed to [scholarships@waltonemc.com](mailto:scholarships@waltonemc.com).
4. A **letter of acceptance** to the college or technical school that you plan to attend. If not available at the time of the scholarship award, it must be provided prior to the start of school.

Application/documents may be submitted electronically.

**Application deadline is January 23, 2026**

**Application and all documents must be received by the deadline.**  
**If you have any questions about the Walton Electric Trust Scholarship,**  
**please contact Evette Jones at 770/266-2309 or [scholarships@waltonemc.com](mailto:scholarships@waltonemc.com).**