

**Scholarship Guidelines**

AcenTek has established a college scholarship fund for the purpose of providing up to twenty (20) non-renewable $1000 undergraduate college scholarships per year to high school seniors with AcenTek as their local telephone or broadband service provider.

The Scholarship Fund shall be determined, awarded and administered as follows:

1) **Amount:** Each scholarship awarded shall be a one-time scholarship in the amount of $1000.

2) **Committee:** The scholarship committee will consist of AcenTek employees. A committee member will be excused for the year's selection if a relative (defined as grandchild, niece, nephew, first cousin or corresponding in-law or "step" relationship) is applying for a scholarship. The committee shall: a) Take applications b) Determine the most qualified candidates by reviewing each application c) Award the scholarship to a qualified candidate of its choice.

3) **Qualifications of Candidates:** The minimum qualifications of the candidates shall be as follows: a) Must be a current customer of AcenTek for local telephone or broadband service. b) Must be a graduating high school senior c) Must have been accepted to a college or university and provide a copy of the acceptance letter d) AcenTek employees and their immediate family members (child, and/or stepchild) are not eligible.

4) **Payment of Scholarship:** The scholarship winner is required to maintain a 2.5 GPA and proceeds shall be payable to the student when the following has been met:

-For recipients attending a four-year college, scholarship funds will be disbursed upon submission of an official college transcript verifying the completion of two academic semesters.

-For recipients attending a technical college, the scholarship funds will be disbursed upon submission of an official college transcript verifying the completion of two academic semesters or upon completion of the course, whichever comes first.

AcenTek scholarships must be disbursed to the student within three years from the date the scholarship was awarded.

5) **Deadline for Applications:** All applications must be postmarked or received on or before Monday, March 2, 2026 and can either be mailed to AcenTek Scholarship Committee, PO Box 360, Houston, MN 55943-0360 or emailed to [swilkemeyer@acentek.net](mailto:swilkemeyer@acentek.net).  No facsimile applications will be accepted.

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