

# PIONEER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2025-2026

## Scholarship Overview and Purpose:

Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., is pleased to announce its 2025 College Scholarship. Through this program Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., proposes to award one (1) College Scholarship per Board District for up to twelve (12) qualified applicants. Qualified applicants who will be attending or starting their **JUNIOR OR SENIOR UNDERGRAD year in AUGUST 2025** will be considered.

The scholarship(s) shall cover \$1,000 per semester to be utilized for tuition and/or books for a maximum of \$2,000 per year.

This program can be expanded or curtailed by the Board of Trustees of Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., at any time.

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| NAME:   | AGE:   | SEX:         |
| ADDRESS:  | CITY:  | ZIP:         |
| TELE. NO.: ( )  | **SUBSCRIBER "LANDLINE" TELEPHONE NUMBER: ( )              |              |
| HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED:   | SAT/ACT SCORE:   | COLLEGE GPA: |
| PRESENT COLLEGE:  | MAJOR:   |              |
| LEVEL OF COLLEGE: JUNIOR <input type="checkbox"/> SENIOR <input type="checkbox"/> | I AM THE DEPENDENT OF AN EMPLOYEE <input type="checkbox"/> |              |

\*\*See items #1 and #2 under "Requirements for Consideration"

## Eligibility:

### Requirements for Consideration:

1. \*\*The son, daughter or legal dependent of a residential subscriber of Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., shall be eligible for consideration of one (1) of up to twelve (12) College Scholarship(s) to be awarded each year.
2. \*\*A subscriber is defined as a member of the Cooperative whose membership account for services is located in the landline telephone exchange boundaries; and, subscribes to a retail landline dial tone service with Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

**OR**

3. \*\*Subscribes to a residential retail landline stand-alone Digital Subscriber Line Service, (DSL), provided by and using Pioneer Telephone Cooperative's landline copper or fiber facilities, with or without a corresponding analog voice, (dial tone), service.
3. The son, daughter or legal dependent of an Employee of Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., shall only be eligible for consideration of the Scholarship awarded by the Thirteenth District-At-Large of the Cooperative per year.

### Items to be submitted:

1. Provide College and High School transcripts.
2. Provide ACT or SAT scores.
3. Teacher Education acceptance letter *if* the applicant is an education major.
4. Prepare an essay of 500 words or less *answering one* of the following questions:
  - a. Tell us about a teacher or professor that impacted you and why that made you select your current field of study.
  - b. Tell us about your favorite "pioneer" in your field, one discovery, or moment that sparked your interest in your current field of study.
5. Submit two Letters of Recommendation from a high school or current instructor that is familiar with your character and academic performance.
6. Submit a studio-quality (color) photo of yourself
7. Attach a list of scholarships, grants and/or tuition waivers. Include the amount of each one and how often it is received (i.e., per semester, per year, etc.)
8. Complete the application in full AND submit all required documents by the application deadline.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION IS JUNE 6, 2025

**MAIL APPLICATION TO:**  
**SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE / ATTN: BLAKE CALLAHAM** **OR**  
**PIONEER TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.**  
**P.O. BOX 539**  
**KINGFISHER, OK 73750**

**E-MAIL APPLICATION TO:**  
[CollegeScholarship@ptci.com](mailto:CollegeScholarship@ptci.com)  
**Subject: College Scholarship Submission 2025**

For questions contact: (405) 375-0334

Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., is subject to policies which provide that no person in the United States on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, or handicap shall be excluded from participation in, admission or access to, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination under any of this organization's programs or activities. The person responsible for coordinating this organization's nondiscrimination compliance efforts is Paul Schulte, General Counsel. Any individual, or specific class of individuals, who feels that this organization has subjected them to discrimination, may obtain further information or file a written complaint with this organization. Complaints must be filed within 180 days after the alleged discrimination. Confidentiality will be maintained to the fullest extent possible.

Discretionary notes:

**Note:** If no College Scholarship Application is received from any particular Board District for that year, then the stipend for that College Scholarship for that particular Board District will lapse for that year.

**Note:** Dependents or children of any Employee of Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., shall only be eligible for consideration of the scholarship awarded from the Thirteenth District-At-Large of the Cooperative each year.

**Note:** Any scholarship granted shall be evaluated at least annually. School standards must be maintained to continue funding of the scholarship.

**Note:** The Board of Trustees of Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, Inc., reserves full discretion regarding the granting or renewal of any scholarship.