



# American Public Works Association Rocky Mountain Chapter

## 2026 SCHOLARSHIP

(Updated February 2026)

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The scholarship will be awarded by the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Public Works Association (RMC/APWA) each year. The scholarships will be awarded to applicants entering or continuing vocational educational training or to applicants entering or continuing a four-year college or university.

### PURPOSE

The purpose is to provide assistance to aid in the payment of tuition, books and fees for any applicant interested in the Public Works field. Scholarship applicants must meet all of the following criteria.

- A. Maintained a cumulative grade point average from high school of 2.50 or better.
- B. Received a written acceptance from the college, university or other educational institution they desire to attend. If written acceptance is not included, a statement as to why it is not included must be part of the scholarship application. Verification of acceptance will be required prior to the scholarship being issued.
- C. Be a high school graduate or equivalent (G.E.D.).
- D. Be a resident of the state of Idaho, Montana or Wyoming for at least six months prior to submitting the application.

The Scholarship Committee will verify the applicant's status immediately prior to the awarding of the scholarship to determine if there has been any change to the applicant's status between the date of the application and the date of the award.

Complete and submit the scholarship application by **April 30, 2026**.

### SCOPE

The scope of the scholarship program is designed to include residents of Idaho, Montana or Wyoming who are either high school graduates or equivalent (G.E.D.), and enrolling in a trade school/ vocational educational training program, or four-year college or university. Scholarships are awarded on a one-year basis or a shorter time if that is the extent of the course. Award for each scholarship will be \$3,000.00. The number of scholarships to be awarded will be set each budget year.

### OPERATION

- A. Applications (**in both hard copy & electronic PDF format**) from interested individuals will be mailed to the Scholarship Committee as outlined in "Remittance." The Committee will meet to consider applications for full-year aid no later than April 30, 2026.
- B. Selection criteria for scholarship recipients will be based on the following guidelines:
  1. Scholastic record and ability.
  2. Outside school activities, such as athletics, drama, speech, work experience, etc.
  3. Content and appearance of application.
- C. At the conclusion of the selection process, all applicants will be contacted and the persons who have been awarded the scholarships will be so informed.
- D. The Scholarship Fund Committee will mail a check to the recipient for payment of tuition, books and fees for that school term. Total scholarship amount will be \$3,000. \$1,500 will be available the first semester and \$1,500 will be available the second semester. (See STUDENT REQUIREMENTS below).



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## OPERATION (continued)

- E. Holders of a scholarship from the RMC/APWA may accept scholarships from other sources.
- F. Should a student fail to qualify for a second term during that year, the remaining funds allocated for his/her use will be returned to RMC/APWA.
- G. RMC/APWA does not assume any responsibility for the conduct, personal affairs or debts of scholarship winners or candidates for scholarships, and shall not be liable therefore in any manner.
- H. Attachments to the application that are in sealed envelopes and cannot be scanned in electronic format (i.e. letters of recommendation or transcripts) can be omitted from the electronic copy of the application only but must be included in the hard copy format of the application.

## STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

- A. No less than the acceptable minimum credits for regular full-time students enrolled in a college or university must be carried (as a full-time student, to graduate in four years). Prior to the distribution of funds, the successful applicant must provide a letter from the school's Registrar verifying their enrollment as a full-time student.
- B. A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 must be maintained. The scholarship fund will, prior to releasing funds for the second payment for the year, require the Registrar's office verify that this grade point average was attained for the previous semester or term.
- C. Individuals may be eliminated from the scholarship program if they are placed on academic or social probation any time, for any reason during the school year.
- D. The recipient who leaves school for any reason without the approval of the Scholarship Committee, or whose scholastic work falls below the minimum requirements for his/her degree, shall forthwith be dropped from the scholarship program.

## REMITTANCE

Please be sure to verify that the most current scholarship application form is being submitted by downloading the document from <http://rockymountain.apwa.net> (under the resource tab).

Mail completed application and accompanying information in a hard copy format **and** in electronic format (scanned copy of application & attachments on a thumb drive in PDF format) postmarked on or before **April 30, 2026** to:

Rocky Mountain Chapter of APWA  
Attn: Kurt Thomson, Scholarship Chair  
c/o Stahly Engineering & Associates  
851 Bridger Drive, Suite 1  
Bozeman, MT 59715

Email: [kthomson@seaeng.com](mailto:kthomson@seaeng.com)  
Phone: (406) 522-9526

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**American Public Works Association  
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**Scholarship Application Form**

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Scholarships will be awarded in consideration of scholastic record and ability, outside school activities, record of self-help, interest in the Public Works field, and on the content and appearance of the application. The scholarship may be used for any field of study, including vocational education. Reapplications for subsequent years will be accepted.

**Applications must be submitted and postmarked no later than April 30, 2026** to the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Public Works Association, to the person and address shown on the previous page. **Applications must be submitted in an electronic PDF format on a Thumb Drive and also submitted in a hard copy format.**  
(Late applications will not be considered.)

**PART A: Biographical Data  
(Information must be complete to be considered.)**

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: (Will not be used for solicitation – only for contacting applicant): \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a Resident of:  Idaho  Montana  Wyoming Male/Female: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ (attach transcript verifying overall GPA – last 2 semesters min.)

Class Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_ in a senior class of: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Field of Study During Secondary Education: \_\_\_\_\_

Or

G.E.D. Certificate (Attach Copy)

Or

Name of Current College/Vocational School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years attended \_\_\_\_\_

(If currently attending College/Vocational School, please attach transcript verifying overall GPA – last 2 semesters min.)

**PART B:**

Has the applicant taken the SAT: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT \_\_\_\_\_ Tests (include score to the left)

Where was test taken? \_\_\_\_\_

**PART C:**

Please write a brief summary of your activities and work experience. Include school, community, church, etc. List any positions of responsibility held and any honors you received. (Attach extra pages if needed.)

**PART D:**

Please attach letters of recommendation from one teacher, one school administrator (principal or vice principal) of your school, and one other adult who has known you for some time.

**PART E:**

Please attach a brief statement describing your reason for applying for this scholarship award, and a brief written statement which includes your plans for the future, your career and life goals.

**PART F:**

Please attach a brief statement describing why the field of Public Works is important to you, the city/town you live in, and/or to our country. (Please demonstrate knowledge of the Public Works field and how your intended field of study after high school can contribute to the diverse field of Public Works.)

*I declare that all information reported is true, correct and complete. If I am granted a scholarship from the Rocky Mountain Chapter of the American Public Works Association, I agree to submit a report of my grades and educational progress at the time that I receive them from my school.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_