Barrow Utilities and Electric Cooperative, Inc.



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2025 Beverly Maasak Ahgeak Memorial Scholarship

Description and Requirements

BUECI is proud to announce that we have available up to five (5) \$1,500 scholarships for graduating seniors this year. The scholarships will be awarded during graduation ceremonies in May. Homeschool, Qargi Academy, and Kiita graduates are welcome to apply.

Eligibility: To be eligible for any scholarship, <u>the applicant or applicant's parent or</u> <u>guardian must be a member of the Cooperative</u>. The recipient must have received or intend to receive a high school diploma or equivalent in Barrow (including home school) or a boarding school within the State of Alaska. Applications will be reviewed by the BUECI administration and the BUECI Board of Directors. Scholarships will be awarded to applicants based on their response to the scholarship criteria. These are nonrenewable and students must be beginning an educational program or apprenticeship program.

Funds Distribution: The scholarship funds will be disbursed to the school or university through the Financial Aid Office or Admissions Office for administration of the funds on behalf of the recipient. Scholarship funds may be used for registration, tuition, books, course-related supplies and tools, and room and board fees. Students have up to one (1) year from the date of award to use their scholarship. Any funds not used by the recipient will revert to the Cooperative. Students must maintain full-time or part-time status in the institution or program to receive scholarship funds. Enrollment will be verified before the funds are transmitted to the institution or program

Application Period: The application period for the scholarships is open from **<u>Friday, February 21, 2025 through Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5 p.m.</u>, and they will be awarded in May 2025.**

Notification: Scholarship recipient(s) selected to receive the BUECI Scholarship will be notified before graduation. Essay and photograph of recipient(s) may be included in Ruralite Magazine.

For more information, contact the Executive Assistant Annie Rexford at (907) 852-6166, <u>scholarships@bueci.org</u>, or POBox 449, Barrow, Alaska 99723.



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2025 Beverly Maasak Ahgeak Memorial Scholarship Instructions

- 1. **Complete all application requirements.** Be sure to sign the application where indicated. Type or print legibly in blue or black ink only.
- 2. **Include an essay describing:** The importance of utilities to a community. No more than 2 pages. Use white letter size paper and font size 12, and double spaced. Do not use bold, italics, or underlining.
- 3. **Short question/answer:** On a separate sheet of paper please answer the following questions (one paragraph each). Each response will be scored separately.
 - a) Describe the features of a cooperative business model and what is the importance of a cooperative?
 - b) What is the importance of community involvement and how are you involved in your community?
 - c) What are your personal goals, and why are personal goals important?
- 4. **Include your most recent transcripts.** Transcripts may be dated no earlier than 02/21/2025.
- 5. **Optional: References** may be included from school administrators, teachers, counselors, business or community leaders, employers, or ministers. Letters may <u>not</u> be submitted by relatives (grandparents, parents, siblings, uncles/aunts, cousins, nephews/nieces, etc.). Inform your references that their letters must be returned to you, so you can submit them with your application by the deadline. Do not send them separately from your application or your application will be considered incomplete. The references should be recent (within the last 9 months) and should be from individuals knowledgeable enough about both academically and personally to provide insight into your character, abilities, and potential. When you make the request of your evaluators, be sure they feel comfortable about completing the reference letter.
- 6. All pages submitted should be on white, letter size paper, and printed on only oneside for easier duplication. Include only the requested documentation. Other materials included will not be considered. When typing, use font size 12 and double space.
- 7. Deadline: Submit completed, hard-copy application packet with all attachments by Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5 p.m. to BUECI, 1295 Agvik Street/PO Box 449, Barrow, Alaska 99723. All information must be received together. Do not send transcripts, references, or other information separately as they will not be considered. Email submissions will be accepted if sent to scholarships@bueci.org. Mailed applications will be considered if they are <u>received</u> (not postmarked) by the deadline date and time.

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Application Form

Deadline: Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5 p.m.

Submit completed application and attachments to the BUECI Office at 1295 Agvik Street (PO Box 449), Barrow, Alaska, or email to <u>scholarships@bueci.org</u>.

Student's Name

SS#	Date of Birth	
Mailing Address		
	_GPA:	
I am a resident of (City/Sta	e):	
I am a dependent of a Coop	erative member (member's name):	
Student's desired field of st	udy:	
List involvement you have	nad in extracurricular school activities (sports, clubs, etc.) a additional space is necessary, please attach a separate page	

Attachments:

- ✓ A current high school transcript with GPA (**Required**)
- ✓ Answers to questions (one paragraph each) (**Required**)
 - a) Describe the features of a cooperative business model and what is the importance of a cooperative?
 - b) What is the importance of community involvement and how are you involved in your community?
 - c) What are your personal goals, and why are personal goals important?
- ✓ Original essay (no more than two pages) that answers this question: What is the importance of utilities to a community? (Required)
- ✓ Recommendation letters (Optional)

I certify that my application has been completed correctly and completely by me in accordance with the scholarship application criteria:

Student's Signature:

Date: