John M. Thomas Memorial Scholarship

Scholarship Guidelines

General Description
In memory of John M. Thomas, a long time lineman, the John M. Thomas Memorial Scholarship awards one $1,000 scholarship to an individual pursuing an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Electrical Distribution Systems at State Technical College of Missouri. In addition to fulfilling scholarship criteria, consideration is based on availability of funds.

Eligibility Requirements
A. Applicant should be enrolled as a full-time (12 hours minimum per semester), first year or second year student.
B. Applicant should be enrolled in the Electrical Distribution Systems program.
C. Applicants graduating from South Callaway R-II High School will receive first priority consideration, followed by applicants graduating from any other Callaway County High School, if applicable.
D. Applicant should be a citizen of the United States.
E. Applicant should have a high school GPA of at 2.5 upon graduation or GED with 260 minimum score.

Selection and Award of Scholarship
A. Selection criteria. To be considered, applicants must forward a complete application packet by the scholarship application deadline. The criteria used to evaluate applications for award will be based equally upon the following:
   - Civic involvement through school and community.
   - Leadership demonstrated through extracurricular involvement.
   - Academic achievement
   - Ability to communicate clearly defined personal goals through personal goal statement (on application).
   - Financial need.
B. Selection Priority. This is a one time, annual scholarship awarded to full time students attending State Technical College of Missouri. In the event a student is unable to fulfill the requirement of full-time enrollment for the fall semester in the year the scholarship is awarded, the scholarship will be transferred to the next available alternate.
C. Scholarship Award. The scholarship provides $1,000, which is applied to recipient’s account at State Technical College of Missouri upon the student’s verified enrollment. The scholarship may be used for the cost of tuition, fees, books, tools, and/or other costs associated with a student’s education.

Application Packet
Deadline for application to assure consideration for the upcoming academic year is March 15. Please complete the online Scholarship Application at www.statetechmo.edu/scholarship-application/

Expectations of the Scholarship Recipient
A. Upon accepting the scholarship, the student agrees to remain enrolled on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 college credit hours), attend classes regularly, model appropriate behavior and maintain satisfactory academic standing.

B. In the event the student initially awarded the scholarship is unable to fulfill the requirement of full-time enrollment for the fall semester, the scholarship will be awarded to the next available alternate.

C. Release of Information. In submitting the application, the applicant grants authority for release of information contained in the application packet and to contact character references to State Technical College of Missouri, the Foundation for State Technical College of Missouri and the scholarship sponsor. This includes the right to promote and publicize the scholarship and recipient(s).

D. If selected, the recipient agrees to participate in ceremonies hosted to honor scholarship winners and the recipient must send a thank-you letter to the scholarship sponsor. Thank you letters must be submitted to the Foundation Office at State Technical College of Missouri no later than one month after award is announced.

Submit application information to:
State Technical College of Missouri
Attn: John Thomas Memorial Scholarship Committee
One Technology Drive
Linn, MO 65051