



## **Five Area Connect and West Plains Communications**

### **College Scholarship Application – 2026**

**Deadline for Application-April 20, 2026**

#### **Statement of Eligibility**

Five Area Connect and West Plains Communications award a number of scholarships to high school seniors who reside in one of the telephone exchanges served by our Companies. The scholarships are very competitive and receive careful review by our Board of Directors.

Every qualified high school senior is encouraged to return an application, either through the school administration or individually. To be considered, students must adhere to the following criteria.

High school seniors applying for the scholarship are personally responsible for submitting a completed application form with appropriate signatures and other information required. It is the student's personal obligation to assure that the application form is received by the posted deadline. Applications are due at the office of Five Area Connect/West Plains Communications in Muleshoe, TX **no later than the end of the workday on Monday, April 20, 2026.** Please carefully read the additional eligibility requirements for all applicants:

1. The student must be in the immediate family or a dependent of an active Five Area/West Plains customer who is receiving landline telephone service from Five Area/West Plains. **Cellular phone service does not qualify for scholarship eligibility.**
2. The student must use the scholarship to attend an accredited vocational school, a college, or a university. Students may transfer to or from institutions without penalty as long as academic eligibility is maintained. Should the student drop out of school for any reason, the unused portion of the scholarship will be rescinded.
3. The student must have EXACTLY two (2) letters of recommendation accompanying the application form. One of the letters must be from a school official (teacher, principal, counselor) from the school where the student is attending and will graduate. The other letter may be from any other adult who may attest to the student's qualifications and abilities. Supplemental materials including additional letters, transcripts, or other attachments may cause the application to be discarded and removed from consideration.
4. The student has the responsibility to assure that the application form is complete and **is legible** with all signatures and supporting information. Completed application forms must be submitted by the posted deadline to the following address:

Five Area Connect/West Plains Communications  
% Brenda Clark, Executive Assistant  
P.O. Box 448  
Muleshoe, Texas 79347  
806-272-5533

Scholarships are administered through  
Five Area Connect & West Plains Communications  
as follows: **\$500.00 each semester from Fall 2026 to Spring 2028**



Student's name:

\_\_\_\_\_

Five Area/West Plains customer's telephone #:

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Five Area/West Plains customer's name:

\_\_\_\_\_

Student's mailing address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street/P.O. Box)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State, Zip Code)

Student's social security number:

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' or guardians' names:

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Telephone number where a parent or guardian may  
be reached during the day:

\_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Parents' or guardians' e-mail address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of high school attending:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or university you expect to  
attend:

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Field of study or vocation you plan to pursue:

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List of scholarships received to date:

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High school awards or offices held:

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High academic honors (i.e., National Honor Society, etc.):

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Civic, community, or volunteer activities:

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Paid employment or work experience:

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**TO BE COMPLETED BY AUTHORIZED SCHOOL OFFICIAL**

Student's cumulative grade point average (Grades 9-12): \_\_\_\_\_

Numeric class standing # \_\_\_\_\_ in a class size of \_\_\_\_\_ students

ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature and title of school official:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title)

I hereby grant my permission for the Five Area/West Plains Board of Directors to review this application and/or my school records to determine my eligibility for the selection of scholarship recipients:

Student's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Five Area/West Plains customer's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student (father, mother, guardian): \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Are all blanks completely filled out?                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Are there exactly two letters of recommendation?                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Is the section "TO BE COMPLETED BY AUTHORIZED SCHOOL OFFICIAL" completed and signed by appropriate official? | <input type="checkbox"/> Has your parent or legal guardian signed on the appropriate line? |

Five Area Connect/West Plains Communications Scholarship **Applications must be received in our Office NO LATER THAN THE END OF THE WORKDAY ON MONDAY, APRIL 20, 2026 to be considered.**

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