



2027 Scholarship Application

Instructions: Type all information below that is required. A completed application with an original essay and two letters of recommendation should be submitted online. If you start your application and cannot finish, you may save it and return to it later. Please arrange to have your official transcripts sent by mail to: Grand Valley Power, RE: Grand Valley Power Scholarships - [Name of Applicant], PO Box 190, Grand Junction, CO 81502. We will NOT accept transcripts directly from students.

Matt Williams STEM Scholarship

Grand Valley Power's Matt Williams STEM Scholarship promotes the educational pursuits of students in Grand Valley Power's service territory specifically for the purpose of obtaining a four-year degree in a STEM field.

While this scholarship is for an undergraduate degree at any accredited college or university, the student must major in a science, technology, engineering, or math program.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must:

1. Submit all the required information on the application,
2. Have a letter of acceptance to an accredited university,
3. Enroll full-time (min. 12 credit hours per semester or quarter) for fall 2027,
4. Currently reside in a home served by Grand Valley Power.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Applications must be made on forms supplied by Grand Valley Power and must include:

1. Official transcript from the last high school or college attended. Transcripts MUST come directly from the school, transcripts will not be accepted from students.
2. Two letters of recommendation from non-relatives.
3. An original, written essay on how the applicant's educational pursuits and career goals would benefit from a Grand Valley Power Scholarship. The applicant should describe the chosen career

path you are taking and why. The applicant should also discuss such items as school and community involvement, volunteer experience, leadership and work opportunities and financial need.

4. A photo of the applicant is to be included with the application.

Applications must be postmarked or submitted online at gvp.org by March 1, 2027. Applications being mailed should be sent to: Grand Valley Power, RE: MW STEM Scholarship, PO Box 190, Grand Junction, Colorado 81502.

AWARDS

One (1) \$1,500 scholarship will be granted to a student in 2027. The scholarship winner can expect to have their award renewed subject to the Renewal Conditions below.

The scholarship winner is required to attend their school's senior awards event (if applicable) and Grand Valley Power's annual membership meeting on August 5, 2027 to be recognized. Failure to attend the annual meeting could result in a reduction of the scholarship amount.

Awards may be used to cover any of the following costs toward an undergraduate degree in a STEM subject at an accredited college or university:

- * Tuition costs.
- * On-campus room and board expenses during the academic year only.
- * Appropriate allowances for books and fees.

The Grand Valley Power Matt Williams STEM Scholarship may be combined with other scholarships, grants and awards.

Applicants can only receive one scholarship from Grand Valley Power per lifetime. Applicants are not eligible to receive multiple scholarships in a year issued by Grand Valley Power.

A committee of educators appointed by the board of directors will review all applications received by the due date and select an awardee, who will be notified by mail and/or email by April 1, 2027.

RENEWAL CONDITIONS

The Matt Williams STEM Scholarship is renewable for a total of four years for full-time students who are making satisfactory progress toward their undergraduate degree. Students are expected to maintain continuous matriculation, and in general, failure to maintain the following grade point averages,

First year:	3.0
Second Year:	3.0
Third Year:	3.0

will result in loss of the scholarship. However, Grand Valley Power may consider extenuating

circumstances with respect to individual students in determining whether to renew the award. Students wishing to renew their awards must submit an official transcript at the end of each academic year, along with a cover letter written by the student explaining the academic progress s/he has made to date and detailing any circumstances which merit special consideration.

In the event a scholarship is not renewed for **cause** to a particular scholarship recipient, Grand Valley Power reserves the right to award that scholarship to the second place finalist in that respective class. Grand Valley Power will keep on file the permanent address of the student who placed second for future reference should the original winner lose eligibility.

All decisions by Grand Valley Power are final.