

Alaska Power Association – IBEW Local 1547 Scholarship



Alaska Power Association (APA) and IBEW Local 1547 are offering up to \$4,000 in scholarships for Alaska residents who intend to work in the electric industry and who are enrolled in an accredited Alaska vocational school such as the Alaska Joint Electrical Apprenticeship and Training Trust, the Alaska Institute of Technology, the University of Alaska Fairbanks Community & Technical College, and the University of Alaska Anchorage Technical Vocational Educational Program.

APA is the statewide trade association for the electric utilities that supply power to more than a half-million Alaskans in communities from Utqiagvik to Unalaska, through the Interior and Southcentral, and down the Inside Passage.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1547 was chartered in Alaska on October 1, 1946. Local 1547 represents a diverse range of construction classifications, including power linemen, inside wiremen, power plant workers and technicians, mechanics, warehouse workers, line clearance tree trimmers and heavy equipment operators throughout the entire state of Alaska.

Rules of eligibility

- The scholarship is for Alaska residents attending an accredited vocational school in Alaska and who intend to work in the electric industry in Alaska upon completion of their programs.

Scholarship process

A completed and signed application (on the next page) must be accompanied by:

- An official transcript showing achievement level of the applicant
- Two letters of recommendation
 - One letter from and instructor
 - One letter from a personal reference (not a family member)
- A 250-word essay, including a personal history, which addresses **one** of the following topics:
 - How do you see yourself fitting into the electric industry in Alaska?
 - How have you benefitted from your apprenticeship so far?

The completed application (see next page) must be received by Alaska Power Association no later than 5 p.m. Friday, June 7, 2024. It is the responsibility of the scholarship applicant to contact Alaska Power Association to ensure that the scholarship packet was received by the deadline.

For more information, contact Michael Rovito, Deputy Director, at mrovito@alaskapower.org, 1-877-992-7322 (toll-free), 1-907-771-5711 (office).

Alaska Power Association, 703 West Tudor Road, Suite 200, Anchorage, Alaska 99503

Alaska Power Association – IBEW Local 1547 Scholarship Application Form

Applicant Name _____

Home Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Home Phone # _____ Cell Phone # _____

E-mail Address _____

Name of School/College _____

Address of School _____

List any volunteer or community work, participation in community events, honors or awards:

List any participation you have had in academic or electric industry-related organizations:

Estimated graduation date from your educational program (month/year) _____

Certificate/Degree _____

I certify that all answers to the preceding questions are true and correct. I understand that any false answers or deliberate omissions on this application may be grounds for rejection of this application and withdrawal of any award granted.

Applicant's Signature

Date

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Important Notes

The Alaska Power Association Scholarship Committee, in partnership with IBEW Local 1547, will select the finalists based on the merits of the application and support documentation. Finalists may be interviewed.

The completed application and the supporting documentation (transcript and letters of recommendation) must be received by Alaska Power Association no later than 5 p.m. Friday, June 7, 2024.

If a hardcopy is delivered, applications should be submitted to Alaska Power Association in a sealed envelope that states, "APA-IBEW Local 1547 Scholarship: Not to be opened until after the closing date." The application and backup materials may also be submitted via e-mail at scholarships@alaskapower.org.

Alaska Power Association's physical and mailing address is 703 West Tudor Road, Suite 200, Anchorage, Alaska 99503. It is the responsibility of the scholarship applicant to contact Alaska Power Association to ensure that the scholarship packet was received by the deadline. E-mailed applications will be acknowledged via a reply upon their receipt.

In the event no qualified applications are received, the committee reserves the right to forego awarding a scholarship in a given year.

Self-guided checklist for applicants:

- Signed application form
- Official transcript from educational institution
- Two letters of recommendation (one from an instructor and one from a personal reference)
- A 250-word essay, including personal history, which addresses **one** of the following questions:
 - How do you see yourself fitting into the electric industry in Alaska?
 - How have you benefitted from your apprenticeship so far?
- Sealed envelope that states, "APA-IBEW 1547 Scholarship Application: Not to be opened until after the closing date."

The scholarship recipients will be publicly announced at the Alaska Power Association 73rd Annual Meeting Awards Banquet on September 12, 2024, in Fairbanks, Alaska. After being selected, the scholarship recipients will be asked to supply a photograph that will be used in a presentation during the trade association's awards banquet. **(Note: APA plans to award scholarships before the start of the fall semester.)**

Scholarship recipients are required to provide the Alaska Power Association Board of Directors with a brief summary of academic achievements and a copy of an official transcript one year after receipt of the scholarship funds.

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