

**IRWIN EMC FOUNDATION
TOUCHSTONE ENERGY
SCHOLARSHIP FUND CRITERIA**

- All applications are due by **February 10, 2017**. Applications may be mailed to Attn: Irwin EMC Foundation Scholarship, P. O. Box 125, Ocilla, GA 31774 or delivered by hand to 915 West Fourth Street, Ocilla. Note: Applications are DUE on February 10, not postmarked.
- The recipient must reside in the household (primary residence) for at least the past 12 months of a member of Irwin EMC.
- *Preference will be given to members who participate in Operation Round Up.*
- The recipient must be enrolled upon awarding of scholarship in an accredited college or technical school program, either full-time or part-time.
- The grant is for undergraduate work only. No applications for master's or doctorate degrees will be accepted.
- The competition is open to high school students, as well as college and technical school students.
- The scholarship fund will be in the form of a grant program with funds being paid to the college, university or vocational school, on behalf of the grant recipient.
- A person may submit an application each year, but previous winners are not eligible to win again.
- The scholarship fund will be \$1,000 to each scholarship winner.
- Scholarship use must commence within one year of date of issuance and be totally utilized within two years of the date of issuance. The scholarship check will be written directly to the scholarship recipient's school.
- Scholarship criteria are as follows: Commitment to Community, Accountability, Integrity, and Innovation.
- A committee of judges will review the applications. A recommendation will be forwarded to the Irwin EMC Foundation, which shall make the final decision for the Irwin EMC Foundation Touchstone Energy Scholarship. All decisions are final.
- The Irwin EMC Foundation administers the Irwin EMC Foundation Touchstone Energy Scholarship.
- Winners for the Irwin EMC Foundation Touchstone Energy Scholarship will be notified at the end of March.
- Any questions should be directed to Hope Paulk, Irwin EMC, at 229-468-7415, ext. 2311, or email hope.paulk@irwinemc.com

**IRWIN EMC FOUNDATION TOUCHSTONE ENERGY SCHOLARSHIP
STUDENT INFORMATION**

First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Name of School Currently Attending _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Irwin EMC Account Number _____

Home Telephone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

College or technical school that you plan to attend:

I certify that all information reported on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the scholarship will be sent directly to the college or university upon my acceptance and subsequent enrollment to said institution. I give permission to the Irwin EMC Foundation to discuss this application with a representative at my school. If I win, I grant Irwin EMC Foundation permission to use my name and photograph in its publicity of this scholarship without consideration of compensation to me

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

**Return completed application along with at least
one letter of recommendation and a school
transcript by February 10, 2017, to:**

**Hope Paulk
Irwin EMC Foundation Scholarship
P. O. Box 125
915 West 4th Street
Ocilla, GA 31774.**

STUDENT APPLICATION

ON A SEPARATE PIECE OF PAPER, EITHER HANDWRITE OR TYPE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. NUMBER YOUR ANSWERS ACCORDING TO THE QUESTION. DO NOT REVEAL YOUR NAME OR PLACE OF RESIDENCE IN THE ANSWERS, AS ANY SUCH REFERENCES WILL BE BLOCKED BEFORE JUDGING.

1. Describe your commitment to your community. Include any school, church, or civic activities in which you gave of your time or talents to better your school and community. You may also include any work experience you have gained.
2. Explain how you will be accountable with these funds. Include in your explanation how these funds for furthering your education will help you fulfill your goals and what financial limitations you will face without these funds. In your explanation, please state your specific goals.
3. If you are a recipient of this scholarship, you will be an unofficial representative of Irwin EMC and the Irwin EMC Foundation. What qualities do you have that would demonstrate that you are a person of integrity?
4. Innovation is the creation of something new, different, or unique. Describe a circumstance in your life that has required an innovative response. This can be an explanation of any obstacles you have overcome, extraordinary needs you have faced, and or any unique endeavors you have undertaken and the response you had to the situation.