

Foundation for Rural Service Scholarship Available to High School Seniors

Star Communications is pleased to announce the Foundation for Rural Service Scholarship, which we will be participating in again this year. As stated by FRS, "The Foundation for Rural Service (FRS), in cooperation with NTCA – The Rural Broadband Association, seeks to sustain and enhance the quality of life throughout rural America by advancing and understanding of rural telecommunications issues. Through its various programs and initiatives, FRS strongly supports the continuing education of rural youth." There will be several \$2,500 scholarships awarded in different regions of the United States. Competition for one of these scholarships is quite strong; however, we would love to see a student from our service territory be chosen as one of the recipients!

Eligibility for the FRS 2026 College Scholarship Program is:

- Be a graduating high school senior.
- Be a United States citizen.
- Be sponsored by a current NTCA member (Star Communications).
- Be accepted by an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school.
- Have at least a C grade point average (GPA).
- Express an interest in returning to a rural community following graduation.

Also, the applicant's home of record with his/her respective high school must receive one of Star Communication's services.

If you feel your graduate meets these minimum requirements, please visit <https://www.frs.org/programs/youth-programs/scholarships> to set up an NTCA account to obtain an application. Make sure you choose "Star Communications" when creating your account. The application deadline is February 14, 2026.