

ATTENTION: HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S OFFICE

## To Whom It May Concern:

Each year the *Valley Telephone Cooperative Foundation* awards scholarships from capital credits that Valley Telephone Cooperative members have not claimed or have donated to the Foundation. *Copper Valley Telephone* reserves money during the budget process each year to award scholarships. The scholarship funds are completely separate, and scholarships are awarded based upon the serving area the qualifying customer has service in. To simplify the process, there is now one application for both scholarship funds. As the Scholarship Administrator, I will determine which scholarship the student is applying for based upon the serving area of the qualifying customer.

Enclosed please find a packet of information containing an Applicant Letter, Scholarship Informational Sheet, Application, and a couple of posters to place on your school bulletin board, noting the serving areas that make students eligible for Valley Telephone Cooperative Foundation or Copper Valley Telephone's 2019-2020 scholarships.

The Informational Sheet will assist with qualifications and requirements for application. A firm requirement is that students must have service with Valley Telephone Cooperative or Copper Valley Telephone. This means that students, or the family that financially supports them, must have service in one of the following areas:

- Valley Telephone Cooperative: AZ Bonita, Bowie, Pearce/Sunsites, Portal, San Simon, and Sunizona. NM Animas, Columbus, Playas, and Rodeo.
- Copper Valley Telephone: AZ Clifton/Morenci, Duncan, Elfrida, and York Valley. NM Virden.

Applications are available on the Valley TeleCom Group website at <a href="www.vtc.net">www.vtc.net</a> or students may call and request that a packet be mailed to them. (Only original applications will be accepted, not copied nor faxed). For convenience, the forms on the website are fillable and can be printed after filling in all the applicable information.

As their guidance counselor, many students will seek you out for help in filling out the application. We encourage that, so please review the Selection Criteria and Procedures sections of the Informational Sheet carefully to ensure the student provides all the required documentation and submits their applications by the deadline. The more complete the application, the more likely it can be judged as a complete picture of the student.

If you have any questions about the application, eligibility, or the selection process, please feel free to call me at 1-800-421-5711 or 520-384-8931.

Sincerely,

Wendy Hooper Scholarship Administrator