

Applicant Criteria

The initial selections will be based on the eligibility criteria as follows:

- Applicants must be graduates of high schools throughout Northeastern Minnesota and Northwestern Wisconsin.
- Applicants must be matriculating or enrolled full time in accredited vocational, technical and trade schools located within the Northeastern Minnesota and Northwestern Wisconsin area.
- Applicants must demonstrate good character, academic ability and readiness.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
- Applicants must maintain an unweighted GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Additional Considerations:

- Preference will be given to candidates enrolled in academic programs leading to a career in prominent regional industries, like forestry or aircraft maintenance.

Evaluation Criteria

Applicants will be evaluated on:

- Academic ability
- Financial need
- Essay – personal statement demonstrating good character (integrity and doing the right thing), academic ability and readiness. Examples of topics to write about in the essay include: extra-curricular activities, community involvement, responsibilities at home or work, volunteerism, career aspirations, or other activities.