Cleco Power of a Promise Scholarship Application

The Cleco Power of a Promise Scholarship will be awarded to two economically disadvantaged, female and minority students in the Central Louisiana area. The scholarships will cover full tuition costs, books and a stipend for incidentals for attendance at Central Louisiana Community College (CLTCC) Alexandria location. In turn, the selected students will work 10 hours a week at Cleco’s Brame Energy Center to gain hands-on experience and further ready the students for a successful entry into the workforce. Upon successful completion of the program, graduates with demonstrated skills will have a high probability of receiving a full-time position at a power station within Cleco’s operating fleet.

Please see the Power of a Promise Guidelines and Administration of Funds at www.cltcc.edu for more details.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a **Cleco Power of a Promise Scholarship**, applicants must satisfy the following eligibility criteria:

1. A resident within a 50-mile radius of the CLTCC Alexandria Campus.
2. Interested in pursuing a Career & Technical Education in the Industrial Manufacturing Technology Program with Technical Degree.
3. A female and male minority students (i.e. African-American/Black, Hispanic American, Asian American or Native American) whose total household income must be at or below the poverty level for the State of Louisiana.
4. Eligible to work in U.S. (an active work visa is acceptable).
5. Admitted to a CLTCC Alexandria campus. Admission application must be on file with CLTCC and must be accepted prior to receiving funds.
6. Classified as a high school junior or senior in the State of Louisiana during the scholarship application year. **Note:** If award is received during junior year GPA must meet same criteria upon graduation.
7. Students must be on track to earn a High School Diploma with a minimum 2.7 GPA. Must provide transcript and/or proof of diploma.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. CLTCC and Cleco Corporate Holdings LLC will publicize the availability of the Cleco Power of a Promise Scholarship at the beginning of the academic school year.
2. Applications for the Cleco Power of a Promise Scholarship will be accepted beginning on **October 1st** of the application academic year and due no later than **January 31** during the application academic year. Awards will be made in **April 2023**. **Note:** Applications can be hand delivered, mailed, or emailed to CLTCC.
3. CLTCC will forward qualifying applications to the Scholarship Advisory Committee comprised of staff members from CLTCC and Cleco as well as community members.
4. Applications will be evaluated based on the scholarship criteria and the application packet submitted.
5. The Scholarship Advisory Committee will contact the top 10 applicants for in-person interviews.
6. The announcement of the award winner(s) will be made following the final approval of the Scholarship Advisory committee on **April 2023**.
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Application Form

Please type or print.

I. Personal Information

Name: ________________________________
Address: ________________________________
City, State, Zip: __________________________ Parish: ______________________
Cell Phone: ____________________________ Home Phone: ______________________
Email Address: __________________________

II. Academic Background:

☐ High School Senior/GPA ____ ☐ High School Junior/GPA ____ |
High School Name: __________________________ Graduation Year: __________

III. Financial Information:

Family Yearly Income ________________ Number of People Living in Your Household ______

Attachments: Please attach an official transcript from your current or last school, ACT WorkKeys test results, a resume, clippings, letters of recommendation from non-family members, and other documents you wish to include in support of your candidacy.

Complete application must be received by January 31.

Certification: By my signature, I certify to the best of my knowledge that all information contained in this application is true. My signature indicates my willingness to be contacted by CLTCC at the telephone number or email address shown above to schedule a personal interview should I be chosen as a finalist. It also grants CLTCC permission to use my name in any promotional materials regarding the scholarship and to notify Cleco and the scholarship committee about my academic progress at CLTCC.

Signature ____________________________ Date __________________________

Deliver by January 31 via Hand Delivery, U.S. Mail, or Email to: Central Louisiana Technical Community College, Attn: Cleco Power of a Promise Scholarship Advisory Committee, 516 Murray St., Alexandria, Louisiana 71301 or email to POWEROFAPROMISE@CLTCC.EDU
IV. Short Answer Questions

**Required Essay:** Please answer requested short responses with the sheet provided or attach additional paper that contain responses.

1. Briefly explain your academic and career goals and how you plan to achieve these objectives.

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2. Briefly explain your financial situation and how this scholarship will assist you and your family.

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3. What community activities have you been involved in?

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4. Briefly list your previous work experience (jobs, duties, number of hours, dates of employment).

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5. Please tell us about any accomplishments/awards you have received.

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