



OmniTel Communications is pleased and proud to invest in the future by awarding the 2018-2019 OmniTel You Rock Scholarship to graduating seniors who currently reside within the OmniTel market area and are attending one of the high schools serving our member communities. Eight (8) \$500 scholarships will be awarded; one to a student from each high school serving our member communities. Any family members of OmniTel employees or board members are not eligible.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Applicant must reside in the OmniTel service area.
- Applicants must be enrolled in one of the following high schools:
  - Rockford | Central Springs | North Butler | St Ansgar | Riceville
  - Interstate 35 | Martensdale – St. Marys | East Mills
- Applicant will have satisfied all requirements for graduation, be in good academic standing and have exhibited a commitment to community and school engagement throughout their high school career.
- Applicants will be enrolled or in the process of being enrolled full-time at an accredited college, university or technical school in the fall term of 2019-2020 academic year.

### **Application Process**

Qualified applicants should submit all the following information by February 15, 2019 at 11:59 PM.

- Completed online application with all academic information
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, mentor, pastor, or community leader
- Minimum 3-minute technology-inspired video
- Current Transcripts

Recipients of the OmniTel YOU ROCK Scholarship will be contacted mid-March 2019 and all winners will be publicly announce late-March 2019. Recipients will be invited to their local OmniTel office for a brief awards presentation. All applicants, by submitting their video and information, give OmniTel the right to share their video and basic information publicly (press release, website, social media, etc.)

### **Video**

Applicants must submit a 3 minute or longer technology-inspired video. It should be in good taste overall and have an inspiring message. Adding animations and/or music and other effects is highly encouraged. The video can feature just text or just voice over, could have local footage, or footage of technology being used. There are no requirements to the style of the video, we just encourage everyone to have fun, show their creativity, and be thoughtful with the final presentation. The video should have a theme and could be based on one of our sample questions: Why is the internet important to enhancing relationships between generations? How does the internet impact different generations? How has the internet improved our society? How does technology inspire or transform creativity? The video should be made with a smartphone or tablet. It should not be created with professional equipment or software, but you are encouraged to use a basic video editing app on your smart device. The main idea is to use what is at your fingertips (smartphone or tablet) to show your creativity, talk about technology, inspire thought, and have some fun. The video should contain no offensive content, language or music. OmniTel reserves the right to disqualify any applicant if the content is deemed offensive or inappropriate.

### **Selection Criteria**

Is based on a combination of your overall content and message of your video, GPA, your extracurricular activities, and explanation of school and community involvement.

- **Selection Process**
  - A panel of OmniTel employees will narrow selection to 3 applicants from each school after February 15, 2019.
  - The final selections will be determined by the OmniTel Board of Directors during a Board Meeting prior to the end of March 2019.
- **Awarding of Scholarships**
  - Winners will be contacted mid-March and public announcement will take place late-March.
  - Scholarship winners will be invited to their local OmniTel office for a brief awards presentation.
  - Student will be required to provide proof of acceptance and enrollment for the fall term and OmniTel will then send a check to the institution referencing the student's name and student ID number.

**For additional questions please contact OmniTel at [question@omnitel.biz](mailto:question@omnitel.biz) or by calling (641) 749-2531 or (641) 765-4201.**

