



Dreamers, Visionaries & Leaders
Legacy Scholarships
DVL EDISON INTERNATIONAL STEM SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION PERIOD:
January 2 through March 20, 2026

***All applications must be received by DVL no later than 5 pm, March 20, 2026. IMPORTANT:
Handwritten, incomplete or late applications will not be considered by the Committee. Scholarship
Award amount is \$1,000.00***

Prior to submitting your application, please read carefully the eligibility requirements for the DVL EDISON INTERNATIONAL STEM Scholarship at www.dvlproject.com and the guidelines for writing the Personal Statement which are included with this application. A virtual interview may be requested at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

The DVL EDISON INTERNATIONAL STEM SCHOLARSHIP

In partnership with Edison International, DVL is offering \$1,000 scholarships to students who have been accepted and enrolled at an accredited college / university pursuing disciplines in the STEM fields. These include but are not limited to Engineering, Technology, Environmental Sciences, Physical Sciences, Mathematics, Computer and Information Services. The essay must describe how the applicant will effect change in the world through their degree in a STEM discipline.

Students who have inventions, artwork, or audio recordings of their creative works or perhaps examples of their publications are invited to submit photos or copies of them along with their applications for consideration by the Selection Committee.

Personal Statement

As part of the application for the DVL EDISON INTERNATIONAL STEM Scholarship, applicants are required to write a *personal statement*. (Note: you are cautioned against simply “recycling” personal statement/essays used for college applications or other scholarships.)

In 300 typed words or less, describe the influences on your creative or academic talents or on your community service activities. These influences—positive or negative—can be an instructor, a pastor, a family member, friend or even a particular event.

Your essay can be accompanied by a color photo of your invention or artwork (do not submit the actual invention or art work) or a replica or copy of text documents or schematic plans which may illustrate your invention, entrepreneurship or creative work.

Eligible Student Criteria

- Who are between the ages of 18 years old and 24 years old” eligible students will be at least 18 years old by December 30, 2026, and no older than 24 years old by July 1, 2026
- Who are graduating high school seniors with *a minimum* 3.00 GPA on a 4.00 scale, or who are continuing enrolled post-secondary students with *a minimum* 3.00 GPA on a 4.00 scale, AND
- Who are graduating from *regionally accredited* public or private high schools by July 1, 2026 eligible students include those graduating from charter high schools, religiously affiliated high schools or home schools or home school programs in the High Desert region and which are *regionally accredited*” OR
- Who are enrolled in a *regionally accredited* post-secondary institution.

*Note: students enrolled in or planning to attend an institution that is **not** regionally accredited are **not eligible** for consideration for the scholarship.*

- All students must be residents of California for *at least* three (3) years and who are graduating or have graduated from a regionally accredited high school in the High Desert region.

After you have read again the brief description above, complete the application and combine it with the other materials (if applicable) required for submission and mail it to the Committee:

Dreamers, Visionaries & Leaders Legacy Scholarships
Committees c/o High Desert Community Foundation Post Office
Box 2028
Apple Valley, CA 92307

DVL in partnership with Edison International will award scholarships directed towards STEM education as it relates to the following specific majors only:



Business

- Management Information Systems

Computer and Information Services

- Computer Programming
- Computer Science
- Information Systems
- Information Technology

Engineering

- Bioengineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical and Communication
- Industrial Engineering
- Materials Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering
- Software Engineering
- Nano Engineering

Mathematics

- Applied Mathematics
- Mathematics
- Statistics

Engineering Technology

- Computer Engineering Technology
- Construction Technology
- Drafting and Design Technology
- Electrical Engineering Technology.
- Mechanical Engineering Technology
- Surveying Technology
- Telecommunication Technology

Natural Resources and Conservation

- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies
- Forestry
- National Resources and Conservation
- Wildlife and Wilderness Management

Physical Sciences •

- Applied Physics
- Applied Chemistry
- Chemistry
- Geology/Earth Science
- Geophysics
- Physics
- Comprehensive Science

NOTE: Applications must be typed **and completely filled out**. Handwritten or incomplete applications **will not** be considered by the Committee.



Application for Edison International STEM Scholarship

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name _____

Gender: Female _____ Male _____

Address _____

City _____, CA Zip Code _____

Cell phone _____ or Message phone _____

E-mail address _____

2. EDUCATION

Last high school
attended _____

Dates attended (Month/ Year) _____ Graduate? Yes ☐ No ☐

School/Institution currently attending or planning to attend _____

Start date or proposed start date _____

Planned course of study, education or career goals _____

3. **Resume**. Include a resume of two (2) pages or less as part of this application. **Note: A resume that exceeds the page requirements may not be considered by the Committee.**
4. **Letter of reference.** Please attach *at least one but no more than two letters* of reference that support your application. **Note: letters must be typed and must not exceed 300 words. Letters not typed or those which exceed 300 words may not be read by the Committee.**
5. **Official Transcripts** are required of all students as part of the application package. Before the scholarship is awarded to the successful applicant, a final Official Transcript will be required to be submitted to DVL. Applicants graduating from high school also must include a “letter of acceptance” from the institution they plan to attend. Applicants currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution must present evidence of “academic progress” from an institutional official *at the counselor level or above from the institution in which they are enrolled.*
6. **Institution Accreditation.** *For applicants to be eligible for the Legacy Scholarship, all education institutions to be considered by applicants or in which they are enrolled must be “regionally accredited.”* Accreditation information usually can be obtained from the Registrar of the institution.
7. **Personal Statement.** Write an original personal statement as directed in the first part of this application.

Applicant Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification of information may result in termination of my application or of any scholarship award granted to me.

Printed name_____

Signature_____Date_____