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## ENGINEERS OF THE FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP

The Glenn English National Cooperative Leadership Foundation encourages educational advancement by awarding higher education scholarships to eligible students. Scholarships are awarded to individuals pursuing a future career in engineering.

This scholarship hopes to support future engineers with an interest and passion for defining and solving the electric utility challenges of the future, specifically in the rural parts of America.

The deadline for application submission is May 14, 2021. Awards will be distributed in August/September of 2021. Visit [www.electric.coop](http://www.electric.coop) to read more information about the scholarship, requirements and to apply.

## KENERGY OFFERING FREE WI-FI TO STUDENTS



**K**energy is now offering free Wi-Fi for the fourteen-county school districts in its service territory.

"Kenergy recognized that this year has been especially tough for students, teachers, and administrators in our service territory," Kenergy President and CEO Jeff Hohn said. "Virtual learning has posed its own challenges, especially for those that don't have access to reliable internet. We want to help."

Wi-Fi portal locations have been set up at the Henderson, Owensboro, Marion, Hawesville and Hanson office locations. Students can access the free Wi-Fi every day from 6:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Signs are posted for parking to show where the best connectivity locations are.

The Wi-Fi portals are password protected so only area students have access to them. This allows students to have priority when they need to access the portals.

"Concern for community is one of the cooperative principles our electric cooperative operates by," Hohn said. "We saw a need in the communities we serve and wanted to provide a solution to help alleviate that stress."

# ANNUAL MEETING SAVE THE DATE Tuesday, June 8, 2021



Kenergy office lobbies are currently closed due to COVID-19 precautions. You can still visit our drive-thrus at our Henderson and Owensboro offices and utilize our night drop boxes at all of our office locations.

## OFFICE HOURS

**Henderson** 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
6402 Old Corydon Road

**Owensboro** 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
3111 Fairview Drive

**Hanson**  
2620 Brown Badgett Loop

**Hawesville**  
315 Hawes Blvd.

**Marion**  
3000 Mott City Road

## Questions regarding your account?

Call us any time at 800-844-4832  
Please have your account number ready when calling us.

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# IN THE KITCHEN

## Instant Pot Chicken and Dumplings Recipe

*Did you get an Instant Pot for Christmas and still too scared to get it out of the box? You're missing out on one of the best kitchen gadgets! Take your Instant Pot for a spin with this recipe.*



### INGREDIENTS

**1 large or 2 medium** boneless chicken breasts  
**6 cups** chicken broth  
**2 ribs** of celery, broken in half  
**1/2** onion (chunk)  
salt & pepper to taste

*For the Dumplings:*  
**3 cups** all-purpose flour  
**1 Tb** baking powder  
**1 1/4 tsp** salt  
**1 cup + 2 Tbs** milk

### DIRECTIONS

1. Cut each chicken breast in half and place pieces in Instant Pot.
2. Add chicken broth, celery, and onion.
3. Place lid onto Instant Pot and set vent to the sealed position.
4. Use the manual setting to select a 3 minute cook time at high pressure.
5. While chicken is cooking, prepare the dumplings by mixing flour, baking powder, salt and milk until combined.
6. Turn dumpling mixture onto a floured surface and roll to about 1/4 inch thickness.
7. Use a pizza cutter to cut dumpling mixture into strips or squares about 1-2 inches each.
8. After the Instant Pot cook time has finished, perform a quick pressure release.
9. Once pressure has released and valve has dropped, carefully remove lid. Remove and discard chunks of onion and celery. Remove chicken to a plate.
10. Add dough strips to hot broth and stir well.
11. Use the saute function to simmer the broth and dumplings. Simmer until dumplings are cooked and broth has begun to thicken, about 15-20 minutes.
12. (Broth will continue to thicken more as it cools, but you are welcome to add a slurry of cornstarch and water to thicken it even more if desired).
13. While the dumplings are cooking, shred the chicken and return it to the insert pot, stirring to combine.
14. Add salt and pepper to taste. Enjoy!

*Recipe and pictures courtesy of marginmakingmom.com*

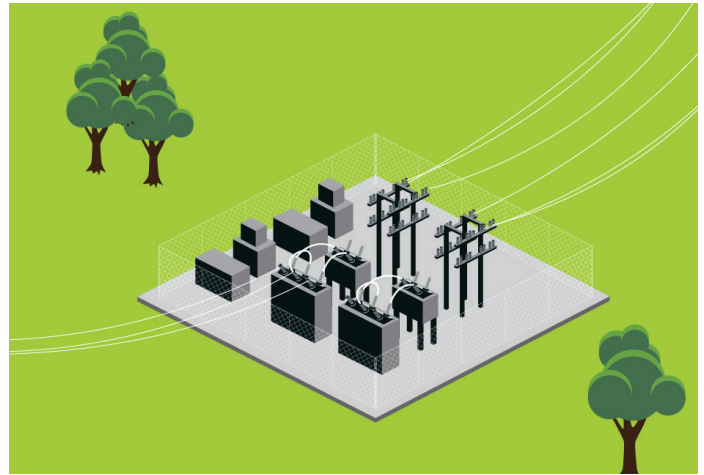
# POWERING BACK UP

Our line crews work long, hard hours to restore your power safely in the shortest time possible following major storms. But, if you've ever wondered what we're up to when you find yourself in the dark...



## 1. High-Voltage Transmission Lines

**Step 1:** Transmission towers and cables that supply power to transmission substations (and thousands of members) rarely fail. But when damaged, these facilities must be repaired before other parts of the system can operate.



## 2. Distribution Substation

**Step 2:** A substation can serve hundreds or thousands of consumers. When a major outage occurs, line crews inspect substations to determine if problems stem from transmission lines feeding into the substation, the substation itself or if problems exist further down the line.



## 3. Main Distribution Lines

**Step 3:** If the problem cannot be isolated at a distribution substation, distribution lines are checked. These lines carry power to large groups of consumers in communities or housing developments.



## 4. Tap Lines

**Step 4:** If local outages persist, supply lines (also known as tap lines) are inspected. These lines deliver power to transformers, either mounted on poles or placed on pads for underground service, outside businesses, schools and homes.



## 5. Individual Homes

**Step 5:** If your home remains without power, the service line between a transformer and your residence may need to be repaired. Always call to report an outage to help line crews isolate local issue.



# KENERGY BROADBAND UPDATE FOR MEMBERS

At 5:00 p.m. EST on January 29th, the quiet period for the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) auction ended allowing participants to speak publicly about the auction and its results.

Kenergy filed a short-term application for the auction, but ultimately decided it was best not to participate.

"Several critical changes needed to be made to current state statutes in order for Kenergy to have participated in the RDOF auction. If Kenergy had participated in the auction, been awarded money, and then we were unable to fulfill the obligations from the FCC because of those state statute limitations, we would have been assessed steep penalties and fines," Kenergy President and CEO Jeff Hohn said. "This would have greatly diminished the chance of our members receiving broadband. Due to the

short time-frame between the RDOF auction concluding and the legislature convening, Kenergy did not feel comfortable participating in the auction."

Kenergy will not be a broadband provider, but there is still good news coming for our members. Conexon, Kenergy's consultant throughout this process, bid in the place of Kenergy in the RDOF auction and was awarded \$21,396,303.60 in the state of Kentucky. Kenergy will work closely with Conexon for the buildout and to acclimate them to the communities they will serve.

"We are excited about the award and look forward to working with members of the Kenergy team to bring the benefits of high-speed fiber internet to the members and communities they serve," Conexon Partner Randy Klindt said.



## CO-OP CONNECTIONS

### Featured Businesses Offering Discounts



#### Time to Spruce Up Your Home for Spring!

##### **AAA Insulation LLC**

3% Off Total Bill

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##### **Homecrafter's Paint & Glass**

20% Off Paint

129 N. Main, Henderson

##### **PPG/Porter Paints**

30% Off Most Paints, 15% Off Most

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2800 Yale Pl., Owensboro

##### **Quite-A-Stir Painting**

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1470B Chelsea Dr., Madisonville

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