



2025 EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Deadline: March 31, 2025

Applicant Information

Last Name		First Name		M. I.	Date of Birth
Home Address			City	State	Zip
Mailing Address (if different)			City	State	Zip
Phone Number	Email	Applicant's Priority First Federal Credit Union Account Number			

Current School

School Name		GPA	Class Rank
School Address		City/State	Anticipated Graduation Date
Major or Educational Goal			

College or Trade School You Plan to Attend

School Name		School Application Status <input type="checkbox"/> Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Pending	Planned Start Date
School Address		City/State	Anticipated Graduation Date
Major or Educational Goal			

Required Documents and Materials

Applicants must submit the following items by no later than March 31, 2025:

- Completed, signed and dated Education Scholarship Application.
- Applicant **MUST** be a Priority First Federal Credit Union Member or Joint Member as of March 31, 2025.
- A copy of your most recent academic transcripts, including cumulative GPA.
- Proof of enrollment or letter of acceptance from the school or educational program you plan to attend in the fall of 2025. These include but are not limited to: four year colleges, business colleges, graduate schools, technical schools, trade schools and community colleges. If you are not currently enrolled, proof of enrollment must be submitted by no later than August 1st or scholarship funds may be forfeited.
- Typed essay, as detailed on page 3 of this application. Your essay must be typed, double-spaced and limited to 3 pages. Essays submitted with prior years' scholarship applications will not be accepted.
- List of employment history, community service, volunteer experience, extracurricular activities, honors, achievements, special skills, hobbies and interests (attach list if necessary).

Last Name	First Name	M. I.	CU Use Only
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Applicant Consent and Agreement

I hereby submit my application and required materials to Priority First Federal Credit Union for consideration of a scholarship award. By signing below, I understand and agree that the following statements are true and correct:

- On the day I submit this application, I understand that I must be a Priority First Federal Credit Union Member in good standing and that I must meet all other Eligibility Requirements and Conditions set forth by Priority First Federal Credit Union to be considered for a scholarship award.
- All information contained in my scholarship application and required materials are accurate.
- The submission of an application, essay and/or any other materials does not guarantee payment of any awards, grants or scholarships.
- Any funds awarded to me by Priority First Federal Credit Union will be used for expenses directly related to my education and I, if asked to do so, will provide Priority First Federal Credit Union with proof of these expenses.
- Priority First Federal Credit Union is permitted to use my name, photograph, image and any other information submitted for the purpose of applying for the scholarship, or obtained during any event related to the scholarship, for publicity purposes. I release Priority First Federal Credit Union and its employees, officers and volunteers from any liability related to the release or use of information, photographs and/or images.
- Failure to adhere to the terms set forth in this application and any related scholarship rules and instructions may result in my disqualification and forfeiture of scholarship funds.

Applicant's Signature	Date
X	

Parent/Legal Guardian Consent and Agreement
 Must be completed if the applicant will be 17 years of age or younger on March 31, 2025

By signing below, I understand and agree that the following statements are true and correct:

- I am the parent or legal guardian of the applicant/minor child named above.
- The information contained in the scholarship application and required materials submitted by my minor child are accurate.
- The submission of an application or essay does not guarantee payment of any awards, grants or scholarship funds.
- Priority First Federal Credit Union is permitted to use my minor child's name, photograph, image and any other information submitted for the purpose of applying for the scholarship, or obtained during any event related to the scholarship, for publicity purposes. I release Priority First Federal Credit Union and its employees, officers and volunteers from any liability related to the release or use of information, photographs and/or images.
- Failure to adhere to the rules and requirements set forth in this application and any related scholarship application instructions may result in the disqualification of my minor child and my/their forfeiture of scholarship funds.

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature	Date
X	

SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

Priority First Federal Credit Union's Education Scholarship is for students who are pursuing educational and career training opportunities after high school. Up to ten individual winners will be awarded \$500 to pay for expenses directly related to their continuing education. High school seniors and students currently enrolled in post-secondary education programs are eligible to apply. 2024 Priority First Federal Credit Union Scholarship winners are not eligible.

Those who wish to be considered for an award must meet all eligibility requirements and submit a completed 2025 Education Scholarship Application and all required materials described in this document by no later than March 31, 2025.

Applicants must be a Priority First Federal Credit Union member in good standing as of March 31, 2025.

Scholarship applications and required documents can be delivered in person to any Priority First Federal Credit Union branch, or mailed to Priority First Federal Credit Union, Attention: Scholarship Committee, 364 Midway Drive, DuBois, PA 15801. Mailed documents postmarked on March 31, 2025, will be accepted as long as they arrive at Priority First Federal Credit Union by no later than April 4, 2025.

Scholarship applicants will be notified via U.S. Mail, email, or phone approximately four weeks after the application deadline date. A Priority First Federal Credit Union representative may recognize winners during your school's award ceremony.

Scholarship funds will be deposited into the winner's share account at Priority First Federal Credit Union.

ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit an original essay on the following topic with their completed application:

Essay Topic:

“What is your greatest financial fear/concern for the future, and what steps can you take to either overcome it or prepare for it?”

- Your essay must be typed, double spaced, in an 11 or 12-point, easy-to-read font. Maximum length is 3 pages.
- Essays must be printed on 8.5"x 11" paper.
- Information, ideas and opinions explored in your essay should be creative, engaging, thought-provoking, relevant to the topic and appropriate for all-age reading.
- Inappropriate content and/or plagiarism will result in the applicant's immediate disqualification.

JUDGING

A panel of judges will review and score each applicant's submitted materials based on the following criteria:

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| • Academic Achievements | 30% |
| • Employment/Volunteer/Extracurricular | 30% |
| • Essay | 30% |
| • Presentation and Quality of Submission | 10% |