



**MEMBERS FIRST
CREDIT UNION**

Scholarship Application

At Members First Credit Union, we believe in the power of education and financial literacy. We appreciate you taking the time to apply for a scholarship and allowing us to Make a Positive Difference in your life. Scholarship applications will be accepted until April 10, 2015.

Scholarship Program • Academic Year 2015-2016

Please keep this page for your information

Members First Credit Union will award seven \$1,000 scholarships to qualified applicants. Scholarship recipients are selected on a number of criteria, including academic record, essay, leadership and participation in community activities, honors, work experience, education and career goals. Checks are issued jointly to the recipient and the educational institution. Funds are to be used for tuition, fees and books for post secondary education (including but not limited to colleges, trade schools, etc.).

Those applying for the Members First Credit Union scholarship must meet the following guidelines and complete the attached application:

- + The applicant must be the primary owner of a Members First Credit Union account in good standing.
- + The applicant must be attending or have graduated from an accredited high school.
- + The applicant must be accepted/enrolled in an accredited institution and/or working towards their first undergraduate degree.
- + Written recommendations from one present or former instructor and one employer, dated within the last five months are required.
- + Applicants must include an official transcript (high school or college) or request that they are sent directly from the school(s) to the address listed below.
- + The applicant must provide an essay outlining goals, aspirations, college, and career plans.

We will set aside a scholarship for a non-traditional student who meets one or more of the following criteria:

- + Over the age of 24
- + Getting his/her first 4-year degree
- + Attending vocational, technical, culinary, trade school, etc.

The non-traditional student will be selected on the same criteria as a traditional student.

All parts of the application including essay, letters of recommendation and transcripts must be submitted to the credit union by **5:00 p.m., April 10, 2015** for consideration. If all materials are not received by the deadline, the application will be disqualified.

Applications may be addressed and sent to:

Scholarship Selection Committee
Attention: Cathleen Louisignau
Members First Credit Union
P.O. Box 2165 • Midland, MI 48641-2165

A credit union Scholarship Selection Committee will make the selection of scholarship recipients. Qualified applicants will be notified no later than May 8, 2015. Not all applicants will be selected as recipients. If you have any questions call 855.835.MFCU ext. 1262.

Each scholarship is issued one time and is not automatically renewable. Applicants may re-apply for future scholarships, although scholarship recipients will only be selected a total of two times.

Members First Credit Union employees and official family and their relatives are not eligible for the scholarships.

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Instructions:

- Print clearly in ink on both sides of this form.
- Include official school transcript, essay, two letters of recommendation and proof of school acceptance/registration (i.e. current class schedule, tuition receipt, letter from registrar).
- Sign and date this form and send it to the scholarship committee by April 10, 2015.

FULL NAME: _____

NAME(S) OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S): _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

MFCU ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____ BIRTH DATE: _____

SCHOOL ADDRESS: _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

CUMULATIVE GPA: _____ ON A _____ SCALE (EXAMPLE: 4.00)

GRADUATION DATE: _____

COLLEGE ATTENDING OR PLANNING TO ATTEND:

CITY: _____ STATE: _____

CUMULATIVE GPA: _____ ON A _____ SCALE (EXAMPLE: 4.00)

MAJOR COURSE OF STUDY: _____

GRADUATION DATE: _____

STATUS FOR 2015-2016 ACADEMIC YEAR:

FRESHMAN SOPHOMORE JUNIOR SENIOR NON-TRADITIONAL OTHER

ARE YOU RELATED TO A MEMBERS FIRST CREDIT UNION EMPLOYEE? YES NO

IF SO, HOW: _____





List your honors and activities (you may attach a separate piece of paper if needed):

Example: Student Council President - 4 Years

Five horizontal lines for writing.

List your work experience (you may attach a separate piece of paper if needed):

Example: Co-Op through MFCU

Five horizontal lines for writing.

List any community involvement/volunteer service (you may attach a separate piece of paper if needed):

Example: Volunteered for Junior Achievement

Five horizontal lines for writing.

Attach your essay outlining your goals, aspirations, college and career plans. (200-500 words. Include word count on document.)

I understand and agree that if selected as a scholarship recipient, I will remain enrolled for the full semester, maintain a GPA of at least 2.5, have my photo taken for Members First Credit Union publications, and may be asked to attend the "Swinging for Scholarships" golf outing luncheon on June 16, 2015. If selected as a recipient, I authorize release of my name and/or likeness to Members First Credit Union. I certify that the above information is true and complete. I realize that if any of the above stated information is found to be false, or if I fail to meet the requirements, I forfeit scholarship consideration. I certify that I am not an employee or family member of an employee or official family member of Members First Credit Union. I understand that my completed application will not be returned to me.

STUDENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

(If applicant is under age 18)

