



STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

THE AWARD: Vermont Federal Credit Union is offering educational scholarships for the 2012-2013 school year. Four (4) scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$2,000 each.

ELIGIBILITY: To be eligible to apply, the applicant must meet ALL of the following criteria.

- Applicant (student) must be a member of Vermont Federal
- Applicant must be accepted to or enrolled in an accredited undergraduate program at a college, trade school, or university (minimum 12-credit semester or full-time equivalent)*
- Studies must begin in the Fall 2012 or Spring 2013 semester
- Immediate family members of Vermont Federal employees and Board members are not eligible to participate.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: All applicants must submit the following

- Copy of applicants official high school, college transcripts and/or GED (General Education Degree)
- Complete Vermont Federal application - Applications will only be available online at www.vermontfederal.org for you to print out and mail. This online application cannot be submitted via email.
- Copy of the letter of acceptance from the college, trade school, or university**

*College, trade school, or university of choice does not have to be a Vermont institution

**If college, trade school, or university is not determined at the time the application is due, the applicant must send all potential college, trade school, or university acceptance letters and notify the Scholarship Coordinator as soon as the school is selected.

SCHEDULE & SELECTION: The application and all supporting documentation must be completed and postmarked to the Scholarship Committee by April 6th, 2012. Packages received before April 12th, 2012 and postmarked no later than April 6th, 2012 will be considered. Any packages received after April 12th, 2012, regardless of postmark, will NOT be considered. Complete applications can be submitted at a branch or mailed to the Scholarship Committee. Vermont Federal Credit Union is not responsible for lost mail or delays in delivery of mail. Applications will be reviewed and finalists will be chosen by the Scholarship Committee. Winners will be notified by **June 30th, 2012.**

AWARDS: Recipient will receive an Award Certificate from Vermont Federal and check from Vermont Federal. Each award will be made payable to the college, trade school, or university and student by September 1st, 2012. Funds are to be used for tuition, room, board and/or books. The \$2,000 will be returned should the student not attend college within the current school year.

SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer all questions on this scholarship application.
2. Please type your application information if possible, or print legibly in ink. Essay must be typed.
3. Include an academic transcript from each high school you attended. Transcripts should cover all classes taken in the 9th through 12th grades. Those who have already completed college, trade school, or university classes should also include those transcripts. Only official transcripts will be accepted. Records should be completed through the last grading period.
4. Include an essay on the designated topic. The essay should be one (1) page in length, typed and double spaced.
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Mail completed application package to:

**Scholarship Committee
Vermont Federal Credit Union
PO Box 407
Burlington, VT 05402-0407**

Vermont Federal Credit Union is not responsible for lost or misdirected mail. All submitted materials are the property of Vermont Federal Credit Union.

Please make sure you include all the entry requirements listed. A completed application and the requested entry requirements must be submitted in order for your application to be accepted for the Scholarship Award contest.

If you have any questions concerning this scholarship, please contact the Scholarship Coordinator toll-free at (888) 252-0202 or (802) 658-0225, ext. 1322.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES: List involvement in student activities which encourage development of leadership, citizenship, and personal and interpersonal skills, and which demonstrate initiative and positive contribution.

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES: List community activities that are **NOT** related to school functions and are **NOT** a requirement for graduation. These must be above and beyond educational requirements. List activities and hours dedicated that are designed to improve or promote the “quality of life” in your community which demonstrate your initiative and positive contribution.

OTHER: List any other items of information you believe would contribute to your being selected as a scholarship recipient. Examples are unique accomplishments or special circumstances not indicated in the above sections. This may include awards or honors received.

STUDENT'S REMARKS: Explain why you are applying for this scholarship, why you should be selected to receive the scholarship, and what factor(s) led you to choose the school you plan to attend. If you have not determined the school you plan to attend, please explain what factor(s) are most important in helping you to determine the school you plan to attend.

TYPED ESSAY TOPIC: Describe why you choose your proposed major and how it can lead to a successful career.

SIGNATURE REQUIRED: I certify that all information provided on this application and attachments is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the Vermont Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee to verify the information. I understand all submitted materials become the property of Vermont Federal Credit Union. I agree to allow the Credit Union to use my name and/or picture for promotional use.

(Student's Signature)

(Date)