



2026 scholarship program

County Credit Union will award a \$1,500 scholarship to a credit union member age 17 or older who has graduated or will graduate from high school by June 2026, and will attend a college or other accredited post-graduate program on a full-time basis in the fall semester 2026.

All scholarship applications, essays and letters of reference must be postmarked no later than May 31, 2026, and sent to:

County Credit Union
Attn: 2026 Scholarship Committee
130 S. Bemiston Ave., Ste. 100
Clayton, MO 63105-1913

▶ Applicant eligibility

Applicants and/or their parents/guardians must be County Credit Union members at the scholarship entry deadline. Credit union volunteers, employees and their immediate families are not eligible. For the purpose of this scholarship, immediate family includes: spouse, parent, child, grandchild, sibling and any of their spouses.

Failure to adhere to application guidelines or rules of eligibility will result in scholarship disqualification. The credit union shall actively promote equal opportunity policies and practices conforming to federal and state laws against discrimination, and shall not discriminate in offering scholarship consideration on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation or veteran status.

▶ Selection criteria

The scholarship winner will be chosen by a committee comprised of credit union employees, credit union volunteer board/committee member(s) and other volunteers. The winning applicant will demonstrate a balanced combination of:

- Academic achievement
- Strong work ethic (part-time work and/or volunteerism)
- School and community activities
- Written expression (essay of at least 500 words)
- Character (letter of reference)

▶ Scholarship essay

Please attach a typed essay of at least 500 words on the following topic:

Credit unions are built on the values of community, cooperation and member ownership. Choose one or more of these values that resonate with you, and explain how you plan to apply them in your future education, career or community involvement.

In order to maintain a fair evaluation and selection process, we ask that you do not specifically name any County Credit Union members in your essay.

▶ Letter of reference

A letter of reference from an employer, teacher, coach, counselor or clergy is required for consideration for a County Credit Union scholarship.

The letter should include the name and daytime phone number of the person providing the reference, as well as this person's relationship to the applicant. This letter may cite examples of the applicant's character, workplace or school accomplishments or any information describing why the applicant is a worthy candidate.

Scholarship application



Student name		
Home address		
City	State	ZIP
Phone #	Birth date	
Parent/Guardian full name(s)		
CCU member #	<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant's account <input type="checkbox"/> Parent/Guardian account	
High school name		
High school cumulative GPA _____ on a _____ point scale.		
Intended college/university		

School involvement

Activity	Hours/ month	Duties/Responsibilities	School year			
			9	10	11	12

▶ Community involvement

Activity	Hours/ month	Duties/Responsibilities	School year			
			9	10	11	12

▶ Work history

Activity	Hours/ month	Duties/Responsibilities	School year			
			9	10	11	12

Full name _____

Signature _____ Date _____