2026 ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INFORMATION AND DEADLINE:

- All sections of the application, including the essay, must be completed and the application must be signed to be eligible. If additional space is needed for the application, please attach a separate sheet of paper.
- Return the application with an official copy of the applicant's current high school or college transcript.
- The completed scholarship application must be postmarked and returned to Members Trust Federal Credit Union on or before **Friday, May 29, 2026,** to be eligible for consideration.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- The applicant must be the primary owner of a Members Trust Federal Credit Union account. The account must be open for a minimum of two (2) months prior to the application deadline to be eligible for consideration. The deadline for account ownership is **Friday, March 27, 2026.**
- The applicant must be a senior in a Texas state-accredited high school, or a college student enrolled in an undergraduate program, accredited community college or trade school program.
- The applicant must maintain a 3.00 GPA average as of the end of the 5th grading period for their academic year.
- All Members Trust Federal Credit Union Board Members, Supervisory Committee Members, staff, and the immediate family of those listed above are not eligible for consideration.

AMOUNT & TERMS OF AWARD:

- A total of 4 scholarships are available each year. Each scholarship award will consist of a grant in the amount of $1,000, awarded one time only. Scholarships are not renewable.
- All funds disbursed will be made payable to the student's college or university of choice.

ANY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026, THAT ARE NOT POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE THAT DEADLINE, WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

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THE BASIS OF SELECTION:

The selection committee will score scholarship applications based on the six (6) weighted categories below. The amount listed next to each category determines the percentage of each category's value.

- Academic Performance - 25%
- Volunteer & Community Involvement - 20%
- High School/College Activities and Leadership - 20%
- Essay - 15%
- Work Experience - 10%
- Length of Membership at Members Trust Federal Credit Union - 10%

OTHER INFORMATION:

The Members Trust Federal Credit Union Scholarship Selection Committee reserves the right to interview applicants in person or by telephone.

The selected applicant will be notified in writing by July 2026. The family information provided will remain confidential.

In consideration of this scholarship, no applicant will be discriminated against based on sex, marital status, race, color, religion, national origin, or age. The winner will agree that Members Trust Federal Credit Union can use their photo for publicity purposes.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. COMPLETE ALL FIELDS.

GENERAL INFORMATION

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP:

_____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____ **BIRTH DATE:** _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

STUDENT INFORMATION

List the ***high school and/or college activities or affiliations*** where you've actively participated. Please include the dates of service, number of hours per week, title and indicate if you held an office. Add a separate sheet if needed.

School Activity & Affiliations	Dates of Service or Participation	Number of Hours per Week	Title	Held an Office? (Y or N)

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List the ***community/volunteer activities*** where you've actively participated. Please include the dates of service, number of hours per week, title and indicate if you held an office. Add a separate sheet if needed.

Community Activities	Dates of Service or Participation	Number of Hours per Week	Title	Held an Office? (Y or N)

List all jobs you've held, dates of employment, the average number of hours per week and your title. Use your separate sheet if necessary.

Employer	Title	Dates of Employment	Number of Hours per Week

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WHERE DO YOU CURRENTLY ATTEND SCHOOL?

_____

WHAT COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES HAVE YOU APPLED TO?

College/University	City, State
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

WHERE DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND SCHOOL NEXT YEAR?

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WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THIS SCHOOL?

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WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO STUDY?

MAJOR _____

MINOR (if applicable) _____

ARE YOU RECEIVING ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS TO DATE? **YES** ☐ **NO** ☐

ESSAY

Please write a brief essay (double-spaced, two pages maximum) that addresses ***ONE*** of the following topics:

1. Tell a story from your life, describing an experience that either demonstrates your character or helped to shape it.

2. What passion or inspiration led you to choose your area of study and future career?

AUTHORIZATION

I release to Members Trust Federal Credit Union the right to access all my current and ongoing academic records and transcripts. If awarded a scholarship, I understand that I must meet the scholarship criteria set forth by Members Trust Federal Credit Union. _____

(initial)

I certify that the statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge and grant my permission for the information contained herein to be shared with Members Trust Federal Credit Union.

SIGNATURE **DATE**

Completed applications MUST be signed to be considered for the scholarship.