

Scholarship Program

Albany Firemen's Federal Credit Union
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1. The Award

The **Albany Firemen's Federal Credit Union Scholarship** is an award to be paid to the student or educational institution.

2. Eligibility

The applicant must be a member in good standing with the credit union and meet all the following criteria:

- a. The member must be a college bound high school senior at the time of application.
- b. The member will be attending college for the first time in the fall.
- c. The member will be enrolled in either a two or four year accredited educational institution.
- d. The members agrees to use any scholarship funds awarded only at an accredited educational institution by January of the following year.

3. Application Process

To apply, eligible members must complete this scholarship application form. Applicants should type or print clearly and use only the space provided on this form to answer the questions. Other than specified below, no attachments, resumes, pictures or other material of any kind should be used to answer the questions or should be submitted.

Check each line after completion.

- 1. The application must be signed
- 2. The signed application must be submitted together with
 - An official high school transcript documenting student's GPA for grades 9 – 11
 - An SAT/PSAT/ACT transcript (obtained through the high school guidance office).
 - A typed essay response

4. Selection Process

Judging will be based on both subjective criteria and weighted. These include academic achievements, extracurricular and community activities, the essay, etc.

5. Application Deadline

Applications must be returned to the credit union no later than April 30.

Scholarship Applicant Information

Applicant will not be considered unless all information is completed in full on this form only and all requested documentation is provided.

Please type or print clearly and use only the space provided on this form to answer the questions. Do not use any attachments, resumes, pictures or other material of any kind to answer the questions.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone () _____ Email _____

High School _____ Anticipated Graduation Date __/__/__

Name of College You Plan to Attend _____

High School Honors and Awards

Please list honors and awards and year(s) of participation. Use this space only.
Examples: honor roll, National Honor Society, Who Who's, Principal's awards, science fair awards, college book awards, student/athlete awards, Empire State Games team, Eagle Scout classification.

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High School Activities

Please list high school activities and year(s) of participation. Use this space only.
Examples: sports teams, clubs, band, drama, choral, orchestra, yearbook, school newspaper, MathCounts, LifeSmarts, tutoring.

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Community Activities and Volunteer Work

Please list community activities and volunteer work and year(S) of participation. Do not list one time activities or events. Use this space only.

Examples: scouting, community service projects, community volunteerism, religious youth groups, youth counseling.

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Paid Employment

Please list each job separately with the years(s) employed. Only jobs of more than 10 hours a week should be listed. Use this space only.

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Leadership Positions Held (elected or appointed)

Please list leadership positions held and the year(s) of participation. Use this space only.

Examples: class officer, club officer, sports team leader, scouting leader, student government officer, music/orchestra 1st chair.

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Essay

Please use a separate sheet of paper to respond to the following question. Your response should be typed, between 300-500 words and include your full name in the top right hand corner of your answer sheet. Points will be deducted if responses are not typed.

Questions:

Credit unions are not-for-profit financial cooperatives that exist to serve members, not generate profit. "People helping People" is the philosophical foundation of these institutions. Explain the value of this foundation. Be sure to include information about:

1. The historical importance of the philosophy
2. Examples of the philosophy and their impact on society
3. Your personal interpretation of the philosophy and how you have demonstrated "people helping People" in your life.

Certification and Release Authorization

The following information must be completed for the applicant to be considered for a scholarship award.

I certify this information is true, complete and accurate. I also authorize the release of this information to confirm and/or verify this application. I agree to use any scholarship funds awarded at an accredited educational institution by January 31 of the year following the award.

Member Signature (Student) _____ Date __/__/__

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date __/__/__