

- 2023 -Scholarship Application



For members of Connection Credit Union Applications due by May 31, 2023

Completed applications may be turned in at Connection Credit Union's office or mailed to our address below. Applications must be postmarked by May 31, 2023

For more information, please contact cindyb@connectioncu.org or 360-307-6400.

Scholarship Committee Connection Credit Union PO Box 3990 Silverdale, WA 98383

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Connection Credit Union 2023 Scholarship Award Program

Connection Credit Union offers a scholarship fund for the benefit of our members. The purpose of the scholarship is to recognize and provide financial assistance to college and trade/ technical school students pursuing an education in any degree program of study.

This scholarship award is subject to the following rules and regulations.

- 1. The applicant must be a member of Connection Credit Union at the time of application. Applicant must be the primary member on their CCU account and the account must be **active** and in good standing with the credit union to be eligible to receive an award.
- 2. The applicant must be a senior attending high school or any year in college, and must have maintained a 3.0 ("B") average over the last three quarters or two semesters.
- 3. The recipient must attend a college certified by a regional accreditation association, or a school recognized by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools & Colleges of Technology (ACCSCT). The recipient must provide proof of verified registration at an approved school in order to receive award funds.
- 4. The application must be on the official Connection Credit Union application form and received by the credit union by May 31, 2023. Mailed applications received after the deadline but postmarked by the designated date will be accepted. Applications that are incomplete or missing required information will not be forwarded to the committee for consideration.
- 5. A committee appointed by the credit union's Board of Directors shall select awardees. Applications will be redacted before they are sent to the committee to remove names and identifying information so a "blind" selection process may be made without influence.
- 6. Annually the Board of Directors approves a scholarship fund to be distributed among the winners as determined by the Scholarship Committee. In addition, the Board has set an award minimum of \$500 per selected recipient. Recipients will be notified of awards in July.
- 7. A recipient is limited to one award per year. Scholarships are awarded one time only and are not automatically renewable. A recipient may apply again in subsequent years.
- 8. Payment of the award shall be made directly to a recipient upon submission of verified registration at an approved school. The awards will be presented at the credit union's July Board meeting, which the recipients should attend if possible.



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Complete the application in full; turn it in at Connection Credit Union's office or submit by mail. Applications by mail must be postmarked by May 31, 2023.

This application form contains interactive, or fillable form fields. Please complete each highlighted field, print and sign where indicated. Please attach your responses to the application questions, personal statement, and school transcript to this application. Incomplete submissions will not be reviewed.

APPLICANT INFORMATION	
Name	
Street Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone Number	
Email Address	
Birth Date	
Eligibility	Applicant is a member of Connection CU Membership date:
CCU Member Number	

I hereby certify that all of the information provided in this application is complete and true to the best of my knowledge. I hereby grant permission to Connection Credit Union to contact my references/and or school if necessary, and to use my name and likeness in the company communications (website, blog, newsletter, social media, etc.) in the event that I am selected to receive a scholarship award.

Applicant's Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION		
Name		
Street Address		
City, State, Zip		
Connection CU Member Number		
Phone Number		

SCHOOL INFORMATION			
Are you currently attending high school or college?	 Attending High School Attending College Not Currently Attending 		
High School or College Name			
High School or College Address			
Graduation Date			
Grade Point Average over past 3 quarters or 2 semesters			
What school(s) do you plan to attend for 2023-2024? The recipient must attend a college certified by an Accreditation Association or another equivalent regional accreditation association, or a school recognized by the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools & Colleges of Technology (AACCSCT).			
Planned major field of study			

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Please attach your responses to the following questions. The Scholarship Committee will review the following responses "blindly" so please DO NOT include your name in any of your responses below.

- 1. **Credit Union Essay Question -** Please write an essay of 750 words or less on the following topic: "More than two-thirds of people in America are not financially healthy. How would you define financial health? Describe how your credit union has helped you understand how to manage your money."
- 2. **School Activities** Outline school activities in which you have participated in and any awards or honors received during high school or college years. Explain how your school activities have been important in your life.
- 3. **Contributions to Community** Describe your home and community activities, any world experience and any recognition by others you may have received for your non-school related activities.
- 4. **Leadership Traits** Describe any leadership experience associated with your home, work, school, and community activities.
- 5. **Personal Statement** Please attach a personal statement to allow the Scholarship Committee to know and understand you better as a person. Include a statement explaining why you should be selected to receive this scholarship.
- 6. **School Transcripts** Please attach a complete transcript of grades and credits. Applicants must have maintained a 3.0 ("B") average over the last three quarters or two semesters.

