

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for your interest in the Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program. We are **offering two financial scholarships of \$1000 each** to deserving seniors in local high schools who have decided to pursue higher education in an accredited two or four year post secondary institutions.

To be eligible for consideration for a scholarship, the student applying must:

1. Be a member of Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union
2. Have a minimum 2.0 grade point average, and
3. Expect to be enrolled, as a full-time undergraduate student in an accredited college or university (two–four year program) during the 2017-2018 school year.

Applicants will be evaluated by the Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union Scholarship Selection Committee based on the following criteria:

- ✓ Demonstrated academic ability. Applicants must submit their most current NC Public High School Standardized transcript; including GPA (a minimum GPA of 2.00 is required). A photocopy is acceptable.
- ✓ Demonstrated writing ability. Submit an original essay on the topic listed in the application.
- ✓ School Activities. List all school activities in which you have been involved, if applicable, and be sure to list any leadership positions held. Explain which activity is most important to you and why.
- ✓ Community Activities. List all community activities you have been involved in and leadership positions; explain which activity was most important to you and why.

Once the application is completed and signed, send all requested items (application, transcripts, and essay) together in one package. Applications will not receive consideration if incomplete, if documentation is missing, or if documentation arrives in separate mailings. Handwritten essays will not be considered. Creativity is highly encouraged.

**The application and requested documentation must be received no later than March 31, 2017** in one of our branch offices: 217 N Greene St, Greensboro, NC 27401 or 2200 Soabar Street, Greensboro, NC 27406. You will be notified on or before April 10, 2017 if you win a scholarship. Non-winners will not be notified.

If you have questions, contact:

Amie Hawley  
Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union  
[ahawley@greensboromcu.org](mailto:ahawley@greensboromcu.org)  
(336) 373-2669

\*Scholarship not open to GMFCU employees, directors, volunteers and their immediate families

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2017

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Please complete this application (PRINT NEATLY OR TYPE) as accurately as possible and return it to Amie Hawley, Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union, 2200 Soabar St., Greensboro, NC 27406 or 217 N. Greene St, Greensboro, North Carolina 27406, on or before **March 31, 2017**.

## Step 1 COMPLETE GENERAL INFORMATION

*Fill out all applicable information. Incomplete applications will not be considered.*

Name  Mr.  Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

*The student/applicant must be a member of Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union to be eligible for scholarship consideration. Employees of GMFCU, directors, volunteers and their immediate families are not eligible.*

The student/applicant's Greensboro Municipal FCU account number \_\_\_\_\_

The applicant expects to be enrolled as a full-time student:

- For the entire academic year
- Spring semester only
- Fall semester only
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 2 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Post-Secondary School of Choice \_\_\_\_\_

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*If unknown; please write names of schools being considered. Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union will contact winners of scholarships to confirm final choice of institution before issuing a check in the student and the institution's name.*

**Step 3 ATTACH COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT OR GRADES**

*(Note: Include a NC Public High School Standardized transcript of your high school grades.)*

**Step 4 COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES**

List the most important School Activities, your level of participation and leadership roles (attach an additional sheet if needed):

| ACTIVITY/CLUB | Level of Participation | Role in Group |
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Which of these School Activities were most important to you? Explain why:

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List the most important Community Activities, your level of participation and leadership roles (attach an additional sheet if needed):

| Activity/Club | Level of participation | Role in Group |
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Which of these Community Activities was most important to you? Explain why:

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## Step 5 ATTACH ESSAY

Please write an essay, not to exceed 1000 words explaining your position on the following topic:

**Credit Unions Care. How are you going to give back to your community in the spirit of the credit union philosophy of "people helping people" as a result of your college education?**

*(Please type your essay on one side of an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper to insure legibility. Spelling and grammar will be considered in judging. Creativity is highly encouraged. Handwritten applications will not be considered.)*

## Step 6 SELECTION

A selection committee made up of members of Greensboro Municipal FCU's Management Team and the Board of Directors will select the scholarship winners. The decision of the committee will be final and is not subject to review.

The final decision on the selection will be based on the applicant's creativity in the essay, grammar, spelling, and completion of the application form. Furthermore, the committee will consider applicant's noteworthy achievements, honors received, involvement in community activities, community or school memberships and extracurricular activities.

In determining the scholarship recipient, the four requirements will be weighted as follows:

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| 1000 word essay                | 50%        |
| School activities              | 20%        |
| Civic Activities               | 20%        |
| Noteworthy achievements/honors | <u>10%</u> |
| Total                          | 100%       |

A member of the scholarship selection committee will notify the scholarship winner of the award and will also notify the high school that he/she is graduating from.

A list of the scholarship winners will be posted on the GMFCU website after the judging process is complete. Non-winners will not be notified.

## Step 7 DEADLINE

All applications must be **completed and received by March 31, 2017** for consideration. Scholarship applications received after this date will not be considered. Do not fax or e-mail your application.

Mail applications to:           Amie Hawley  
  Greensboro Municipal FCU  
  2200 Soabar St.  
  Greensboro, NC 27406

The application and related documents must be submitted **together in one package**. Applications that are incomplete, unsigned, or lacking requested documentation, will not receive scholarship consideration.

## Step 8 CERTIFICATION

All of the information provided by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information supplied on this form if required. My signature certifies that all the information is complete, factually correct and honestly represented. Falsification of information on this application could jeopardize any assistance offered. The applicant understands that the essay and form become the property of Greensboro Municipal Federal Credit Union.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby affirm that I intend to enter an accredited school of higher education. I understand that no scholarship funds shall be transmitted to any educational institution until there is notification from the Registrar of the college or university in which I am enrolled. Additionally, I hereby grant permission for the use of my name and information contained in my application in any future publicity for the Scholarship.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_