



# Northeast Credit Union Scholarship Application

## **DESCRIPTION**

This scholarship is for students who have demonstrated a strong commitment to their academic studies while participating in a variety of school and community programs, exemplifying leadership and volunteerism.

## **THE AWARD**

Scholarships will be awarded as follows:

Eight \$1,500.00 scholarships and twelve \$1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded. The recipients of these scholarships are not eligible for receipt of the Roger G. Marois Memorial Scholarship, the Bart M. DallaMura Memorial Scholarship, the Community Champion Scholarship, or the Peter J. Kavalauskas Memorial Scholarship.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The student applying must be a member in good standing of Northeast Credit Union who meets all of the following criteria:

1. The applicant must be a current high school student who will be attending a 2 or 4 year accredited college or technical school next year.
2. The applicant must be in the top 50% of his/her high school class.
3. The applicant must have been a member in good standing of Northeast Credit Union for at least one year prior to the date of application.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS**

To apply, eligible members must complete the scholarship application form. Applicants should type or print clearly and use only the space provided on the form to answer the questions.

Check (✓) each box after completion.

The signed application must be submitted with:

- A high school transcript documenting student's GPA for grades 9–11.
- An SAT/PSAT/ACT transcript (obtained through the high school guidance office).

Letters of recommendation from two teachers.

300-500 word essay on the following:

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 to include:

- What makes Northeast Credit Union different than a for-profit financial institution?
- How does Northeast Credit Union demonstrate the credit union's "people helping people" philosophy?
- If you were the President/CEO of Northeast Credit Union, what is one initiative/program you would implement?

The applicant and his/her parent or guardian must sign the Certification and Release Authorization on the back page of the application form.

The application, transcripts and essay must be submitted/postmarked by **March 17, 2017** to:

Northeast Credit Union  
Scholarship Committee  
PO BOX 1240  
Portsmouth, NH 03802-1240

If any portion is incomplete or missing, the application will not be considered.

### **SELECTION PROCESS**

Judging will be based on both subjective criteria and weighted, objective criteria. These include academic achievements, extracurricular and community activities, essay, etc. The committee's decision will be final.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Applications must be returned to the credit union no later than **March 17, 2017**.

### **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT INFORMATION**

This application 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.**

Student's Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Name of Accredited College or Technical School You Plan to Attend \_\_\_\_\_

### **CAREER OBJECTIVES**

What will be your major course of study in community college? Use this space only.

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Career Goals? Use this space only.

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### **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's Who, Principal's awards, science fair awards, college book awards, student/athlete awards, Granite State Games team, Eagle Scout classification.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

### **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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2. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND VOLUNTEER WORK**

Please list community activities and volunteer work and year(s) of participation. Use this space only.

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

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3. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

### **EMPLOYMENT**

Please list each job separately and indicate the year(s) employed. Only jobs requiring more than 10 hours per week should be listed. Use this space only.

*Examples: part-time jobs, babysitting.*

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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 1<sup>st</sup> chair*

1. _____	6. _____
2. _____	7. _____
3. _____	8. _____
4. _____	9. _____
5. _____	10. _____

## ESSAY

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

### Question:

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## NOTIFICATION

Northeast Credit Union will notify your school if you are awarded a scholarship and will then work with your school to coordinate presenting you with your award.

In order to receive your scholarship funds, please send a copy of your tuition invoice by **December 31, 2017** to:

Northeast Credit Union  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
PO BOX 1240  
Portsmouth, NH 03802-1240

## CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

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

*I certify this information contained in this application is true, complete, and accurate. I also hereby give permission to Northeast Credit Union to use my name, photographic likeness, essays, and story in all forms and all media for advertising, trade, and any lawful purposes including release to social media channels. I understand the circulation of the materials may be worldwide and that there will be no compensation to me for this use.*

**Member Signature** (Student) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

## GUIDANCE COUNSELOR VERIFICATION

The following information must be completed by the Guidance Counselor at the applicant's school to be considered for a scholarship award.

*I certify that the applicant is in the top 50% of his/her graduating class.*

**Guidance Counselor Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_