



CORRY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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to any CFCU location by Friday, March 29th, 2024

Pictured above: 2023 Scholarship Winners

Corry Federal Credit Union is presenting local, post-secondary education bound high school seniors with the opportunity to compete for one of our scholarships. In the past, we have raised enough money for eight scholarships ranging from \$1,500 to \$500. It's a simple three step process, making this an opportunity you cannot pass up.

There is no fee for submitting the application, but those students applying **MUST** be members of the Corry Federal Credit Union and **MUST** be a post-secondary education bound high school senior. If you are not a member, please stop in either location to sign up and learn about how we are unlike any other financial institution. We are located at 728 Worth Street in Corry, 56 North Main Street in Union City, and 315 Main Street in Spartansburg. If you live, work, worship, or go to school in any of the following townships, or have an immediate relative, who is already a member, you are eligible to join:

Erie County, PA

City of Corry
Boroughs of Elgin
Borough of Mill Village
Borough of Union City
Borough of Wattsburg
Borough of Waterford
Amity Township
Concord Township
LeBoeuf Township
Union Township
Venango Township
Waterford Township
Wayne Township

Crawford County, PA

Boroughs of Centerville
Boroughs of Spartansburg
Athens Township
Bloomfield Township
Rockdale Township
Rome Township
Sparta Township

Warren County, PA

Borough of Bear Lake
Borough of Sugar Grove
Borough of Youngsville
Brokenstraw Township

Columbus Township

Freehold Township

Pittsfield Township

Spring Creek Township

Sugar Grove Township

Chautauqua County, NY

Clymer

French Creek

Harmony

Mina

North Harmony

Sherman

Completed applications are due back to any Corry Federal Credit Union location by **Friday, March 29, 2024, by 6:00pm**. After which, applications will undergo evaluation by an external and impartial entity to ensure a fair and unbiased competition. **If any application is incomplete, it will automatically be disqualified, regardless of the judges' scores.** The winners will be announced and contacted in early May and funds will be disbursed.

For more information about this opportunity, feel free to contact Corry Federal Credit Union by calling 814-663-3263 or email us at info@corryfcu.org. Applications may be printed off our website, picked up at any of our locations or your school's guidance office, but all applications **MUST** be returned only to CFCU to be considered. Completed applications can be turned in, in person, to 728 Worth Street in Corry, 56 North Main Street in Union City, or 315 Main Street, in Spartansburg.

Scholarship Requirements

The Award:

CFCU will give away multiple awards this year, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$500, to be paid directly to the member's chosen educational institution.

Eligibility:

The applicant must be a member in good standing of CFCU. The member must be a post-secondary education-bound high school senior at the time of application. Scholarship funds must be used (1) for tuition, (2) only at an accredited educational institution, and (3) by January 31, 2025.

Application Process:

Eligible members are asked to complete this scholarship application. Applications MUST be finished by the applicant themselves and will not be considered if a parent and/or guardian completes it for them.

Check these spaces for your own reference after competition of each step.

___ The application must be signed by a CFCU employee after verifying eligibility and membership status for the applicant.

___ The signed application must be stapled neatly together in this order:

- ___ Applicant Information Form
- ___ Signed Certification and Release Form
- ___ An official high school transcript
- ___ Typed, 500 - 1,000-word essay that responds to a provided CFCU prompt
- ___ One reference letter from a non-related community/church member, teacher, coach, boss, supervisor, family friend, etc.

___ All completed applications must be submitted on or before Friday, March 29, 2024, by 6:00pm to any Corry Federal Credit Union location to be considered.

Selection Process:

Judging is done by members from local organizations within the field of membership to create a fair and unbiased competition and will be based on both subjective criteria and weighted, objective criteria. These criteria areas include; completion of application, academic performance, essay, extracurricular and community activities, personal goals, length of credit union membership, and financial need.

Application Deadline:

All applications must be complete, in the order listed above and turned in, in person, no later than 6:00pm on Friday, March 29, 2024. Any late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

For CFCU Use Only: Applicant's Account Number: _____
CFCU Employee Signature: _____

Applicant Information Form

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ High School: _____

College you plan to attend: _____ Major: _____

Honors and Awards (Examples: National Honor Society, Principal Awards, Student/Athletic Awards, etc.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Extracurricular Activities and Community Service (For 10 hours or more per week. Examples: Sports teams, church groups, volunteerism, part-time jobs, youth mentoring, clubs, band/choir groups, etc.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

Leadership Positions Held (Elected or Appointed, should NOT be the same as those listed above. Examples: Student Government officer, Youth Group officer, Scouting team leader, Club officer, etc.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

Essay Information: Please include a typed, 500-1,000 word essay that responds to the following prompt. Your application will not be considered complete if your essay is not typed and in this format.

Prompt: Discuss how credit unions differ from traditional banks, their community-focused approach, and the advantages for individual members. Share your perspective on why credit unions matter and how they can continue to make a positive impact in helping people achieve their financial goals.

Certification and Release Authorization Form

The following must be completed for the applicant to be considered for scholarship awards.

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 also authorize Corry Federal Credit Union to publish photographs taken of me, and my name and likeness for use in the Corry Federal Credit Union's print, online, and/or video-based marketing materials, or any other Credit Union publications if I am selected as a scholarship recipient. And I release and hold harmless Corry Federal Credit Union from any reasonable expectation of privacy of confidentiality associated with the image(s) specified. I acknowledge and agree that publication of said photos confers no rights of ownership or royalties whatsoever.

I hereby release Corry Federal Credit Union, its directors, its employees, and any third parties involved in the creation of publication of marketing materials, from liability for any claims by me or any third party in connection with my participation.

AUTHORIZATION

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____