

**BULLDOG FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**  
**EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

**2024**

**PURPOSE**

To assist ambitious young students of high scholastic achievement and character to continue their formal education beyond the secondary school level.

**AMOUNT**

We will award two (2) \$1000.00 scholarship gifts.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

1. Applicant must be a member of BFCU in their own right.
2. Applicant must be a graduating senior accepted to an accredited college, university or technical school.
3. Applicant must have a grade point average of at least 3.0 at the time of application.
4. Applicant must not be related to any BFCU employee, board member or committee member. This includes son, daughter, brother, sister, granddaughter, grandson, niece or nephew.

**CRITERIA FOR SELECTION**

***Grades - 40%***

Consideration will be given to the degree of difficulty of the courses taken and their relationship to the grade point average, as well as whether the subjects will help to prepare the applicant for their chosen course of study.

***Need - 30%***

1. How much money does the student need?
2. Is there one salary in the family or more?
3. Did the student work and try to help?
4. How many children under 18 are in the family?

***School Activities - 15%***

***Community Activities - 15%***

**APPLICATION**

Applications must be submitted to the BFCU Scholarship Committee **by 5:00 p.m. April 19, 2024**. The application must include an autobiography and a valid (most recent) transcript. All areas of the application must be completed for the applicant to be considered for the scholarship.

**LIMITATIONS**

The recipient of the scholarship may receive it only once. The award will be made based on the decision of the Committee, whose decision is final.

**PROCEDURES**

Application materials must be submitted **by 5:00 p.m. April 19, 2024**. Recipients will be announced by April 29, 2024. BFCU will issue a check made payable to the institution and the recipient for the scholarship amount.

**Submit the application package to:**  
David Barrett, Chairman  
Scholarship Selection Committee  
Bulldog Federal Credit Union  
580 Northern Avenue, Hagerstown, MD 21742

**BULLDOG FEDERAL CREDIT UNION  
EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (middle)  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ SSN \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_  
High School \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_  
Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for other scholarships  Yes  No

SAT Results: Verbal: \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_ Writing: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of accredited college or technical school you will be attending

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Course of study you plan to take \_\_\_\_\_

Career you wish to enter after graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships or financial aid applied for and/or received (include amounts)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (middle)

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_  
(last) (first) (middle)

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Number and age of dependent children in the family \_\_\_\_\_

Number who will be enrolled full-time in higher education in the coming school year? \_\_\_\_\_

- **Attach autobiography. Include long-term goals and career plans.** *(double-spaced, max. 2 pages)*
- **Attach valid (most recent) transcript.**

*To the best of my knowledge, all of the information given in this application is true and accurate. I have read the scholarship requirements and agree with them.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

## Extracurricular Activities

### Grade 9

In school \_\_\_\_\_

Out of school \_\_\_\_\_

### Grade 10

In school \_\_\_\_\_

Out of school \_\_\_\_\_

### Grade 11

In school \_\_\_\_\_

Out of school \_\_\_\_\_

### Grade 12

In school \_\_\_\_\_

Out of school \_\_\_\_\_

Honors, special talents or interesting hobbies

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What else should we know about you?

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Confidential Financial Information

In order to award the scholarship equitably, we must determine the applicant's need for financial aid. Indicate if you are legally independent from your parents. If married, include your spouse's earnings. Respond to all questions. If it is not applicable to you, mark it as such. Present further details on a separate sheet if necessary.

### *Sources of Income*

	Name	Occupation	W2 Income
<b>Self</b>			
<b>Father</b>			
<b>Mother</b>			
<b>Guardian</b>			

Total family income last year (include wages, social security, disability, child support, pension, etc.) as reported on W2: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons dependent on the above income(s). Include parents, dependent children, aged relatives, or other as reported on federal income tax return. \_\_\_\_\_

Extenuating circumstances that further show your need for financial assistance

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

# Counselor's Report

*Information will be treated as confidential. Please return completed sheet to applicant.  
Thank you for your assistance.*

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

How long has the applicant been a student in your school? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known this student, and in what context: \_\_\_\_\_

On what do you base your evaluation of the applicant? *(check all that apply)*

- Personal acquaintance     
  Casual acquaintance     
  School records  
 Reports of instructors     
  Personal observations

The applicant has maintained       adequate       above average      interest in his/her studies.

No. of students in graduating class \_\_\_\_\_ Student's rank \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership rolls the applicant has displayed in your school and/or community:


**Please rate the applicant**

No basis		Below Ave.	Average	Above Ave.	Well Above Ave.	Excellent (top 10%)	One of the few encountered in my career
	Academic achievement						
	Personality						
	Leadership						
	Character						
	Community Service						

Include any info. you feel would be helpful in considering applicant's financial need, personal circumstances, etc.


Counselor's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a transcript of grades, attendance, and the results of any college entrance exams.**

# Teacher Evaluation Form

***To the applicant:***

Fill in your name and address below and give this form to a teacher who has taught you at least one academic subject. Attach the completed form to your application.

Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

***To the teacher:***

We are interested in what you think is important about the applicant's academic and personal qualifications for college or post-secondary training. Criteria for selection include academic achievement, leadership, character, and community service. Thank you for your evaluation.

Teacher's name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's position \_\_\_\_\_

High School and phone number \_\_\_\_\_

***Background Information***

How long have you known this student and in what context?

How would you describe this student?

List the courses you have taught this student, noting for each the student's year in school and the level of course difficulty (AP, honors, academic/advanced, etc.)

**Please rate the applicant compared to other students in his/her class:**

No basis		Below Ave.	Average	Above Ave.	Well Above Ave.	Excellent (top 10%)	One of the few encountered in my career
	Creative, original thought						
	Motivation						
	Self confidence						
	Independence						
	Initiative						
	Intellectual ability						
	Written expression of ideas						
	Academic achievement						
	Effective class discussion						
	Disciplined work habits						
	Potential for growth						