

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FROM



Eligibility

1. Must be a Member of or hold a Student Savers account with the Leading Edge Credit Union.
2. Accounts must be in good standing with the Credit Union.
3. Applicant must be a senior in high school, graduating in the spring of 2024.
4. Applicant must be enrolled full-time, in the fall, following spring graduation, at a technical, community college, college, or university.
5. Minimum G.P.A. 3.0 (on a 4-point scale).

Scholarship Amounts

Three \$500.00 scholarships will be awarded to the top 3 applicants.

****Eligible applicants may only apply to receive one \$500.00 scholarship.***

- Scholarship winners will be contacted by phone the 4th week of April 2024. Their names will be announced in the Credit Union's July Newsletter.

Selection

Recipients will be chosen by a scholarship selection committee. Applicants will be judged on the following:

- Application 20%
- Academic Profile 10%
- Essay 70%

Scholarship Rules

1. Scholarship applications must be emailed to Leading Edge Credit Union at contactus@lecu.org, received at a Leading Edge Credit Union branch on or before Friday, April 12, 2024, or mailed to: Leading Edge Credit Union, Attn: Aubrey, PO Box 307, Worthington, MN 56187 with a postmark on or before April 8, 2024. Applications received or postmarked after this date are ineligible.
2. Scholarship winners will be issued a check in the name of the school for the scholarship recipient. It is the responsibility of the recipient to contact the Leading Edge Credit Union with the school name and address for the check to be issued.
 - a. Check will be issued upon receipt of transcript or official letter from higher ed. Institution. Minimum GPA of 3.0 required to maintain scholarship. Mid-term report or end of semester report are both acceptable forms.
3. **All scholarships must be claimed by the end of business hours December 30, 2024 or the scholarship money will be forfeited.**
4. Board Officials and Employees of the Leading Edge Credit Union and their immediate family and household members are not eligible.
5. Failure to complete any required section of the application, references, academic profile, or essay will result in the application being deemed ineligible.
6. In the event that there are no qualified applicants from one or more of the designated areas the funds will be distributed to any other qualified applicants of the designated areas.

Essay Question

"You are a Credit Union CEO. What would you do to entice people your age to become members of the credit union? How would you reach that audience and what kind of services would you offer to ensure you are meeting their needs."

- Must be a minimum of 250 words and a maximum of 500 words.
- Must be typed.

All applicants will receive consideration for the Leading Edge Credit Union Scholarship Program without regard to sex, race, color, national origin or ancestry, religion, age, handicap, or marital status.

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Leading Edge Credit Union Scholarship Application

Please type or print clearly

Personal Information:

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Phone Number: _____

Member Number (of the applicant) at LECU: _____

Parent(s) and/or Legal Guardian(s) Full

Name(s): _____

Educational Information:

High School Name:

High School Cumulative Grade Point Average: _____ on a _____ point scale.

Name of College/Technical/Community College/University Planning to Attend:

Intended Major: _____

Career Plans:

Future Occupation: _____



Academic Profile

Required to complete application for the Leading Edge Credit Union Scholarship

Thank you for your assistance in completing this profile. Please return the completed form to the student.

Student's Full Name: _____

Cumulative GPA (please convert to a 4.0 scale if your school uses a different scale): _____

High School Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Comments:

Signature of School Representative

Date: _____

School Representative Name (Please Print)

***Please emboss or stamp official high school seal here. Thank you.**



Essay Question

Answer the following question: *"You are a Credit Union CEO. What would you do to entice people your age to become members of the credit union? How would you reach that audience and what kind of services would you offer to ensure you are meeting their needs."*

Essay must be typed and be a minimum of 250 words and a maximum of 500 words. Please attach your essay to this sheet. Do not type your essay on the back of this page.

I attest that the attached essay is my original work and, to the best of my knowledge, all information contained in this application is true. I understand that by submitting this application and essay that those items become the property of *Leading Edge Credit Union*. If selected, I give the *Leading Edge Credit Union*, permission to use my name, likeness, image, voice, and/or appearance as such may be embodied in any pictures, photos, video recordings, audiotapes, digital images, and the like, taken or made on behalf of *Leading Edge Credit Union*. I agree that the *Leading Edge Credit Union* have complete ownership of such pictures, etc., including the entire copyright, and may use them for any purpose consistent with the *Leading Edge Credit Union* missions. These uses include, but are not limited to, illustrations, bulletins, exhibitions, videotapes, reprints, reproductions, publications, advertisements, and any promotional or educational materials in any medium now known or later developed, including the Internet. I acknowledge that I will not receive any compensation, etc. for the use of such pictures, etc., and hereby release the *Leading Edge Credit Union* and its agents and assigns from any and all claims which arise out of or are in any way connected with such use.

I verify that my true identity is _____, and I further verify that I am 18 years of age or older.

I have read and understood this consent and release.

If the applicant is under the age of 18 years signature of a parent or legal guardian is required. As parent/legal guardian of the above stated participant, I hereby agree and accept all of the above stated terms on behalf of my dependent.

Signature

Date