2015 Aberdeen Federal Credit Union Scholarship Application

Aberdeen Federal Credit Union (Aberdeen FCU) understands the importance of higher education. In order to encourage its pursuit, we will offer **five (5)** $1,000 scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic school year to Aberdeen FCU members attending a two or four year post secondary accredited college or university or a technical/vocational school.

**Eligibility Requirements**

- Applicants must be a member of **Aberdeen Federal Credit Union** (Prior to 2015)
- Be the primary member on your account which is in good standing
- Students must be planning to attend an accredited college or university or technical/vocational school in the fall upon high school graduation
  - or be currently enrolled in an accredited college or university or technical/vocational school
  - or planning to enroll in an accredited college or university or technical/vocational school
- Students must be in good standing with the school in which they are enrolled or have recently graduated from and have had a GPA greater than 2.5.
- Students must complete the semester they are currently enrolled in during the year the scholarship is presented 2015-2016

**Judging**

1. Judging will be completed by a panel of impartial judges selected by the Aberdeen FCU.
2. Points will be awarded in each of the following areas:
   - Personal Achievement (25 points)
   - Extracurricular Activities and Employment (25 points)
   - Credit Union Service Usage (5 points for each service used, maximum of 25 points):
     - *Share Account* - *Share Draft Account* - *Debit/ATM Card* - *Loan Product(s)*
   - Essay (50 points)
3. Application must be fully completed, signed and returned by the deadline.

**Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the institution which the scholar is enrolled in.**

*Application deadline: Friday, April 17, 2015*
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Name __________________________________________ Credit Union Account #: ____________________________
Address __________________________________________ City ___________________ State __________ Zip __________
Email Address ___________________________________________________________________________________________
Phone Number __________________________________________________________________________________________
Cell Phone __________________________________________________________________________________________
High School __________________________ Graduation Date __________ HS Cumulative GPA __________
Institution Planning to Attend: ____________________________________________________________________________
Expected Field of Study/Declared Major: ______________________________________________________________________

4 yr College or University | 2 yr Community or Junior College | Vocational/Technical School

What will your class status be in the fall of 2015?

[ ] Freshman  [ ] Sophomore  [ ] Junior  [ ] Senior

How did you hear about the Aberdeen FCU Scholarship? (Website, school, social media, other)
__________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

Sworn Statement
I declare the attached essay is my original work, and all other personal information is true. I understand all submitted materials become the property of Aberdeen FCU. I further understand any statements or comments found to be invalid will disqualify my application in the selection process. I agree to cooperate with Aberdeen FCU in promotional activities related to the scholarship competition and, should I be selected a recipient, give them permission to use my name and photo in promotional activities.

Authority of Aberdeen FCU
Aberdeen FCU has the authority to amend any of the above rules to ensure fairness awarding the scholarships. Questions regarding the scholarship should be forwarded in writing to: Business Development Director, Aberdeen FCU, PO Box 1495, Aberdeen, SD 57402-1495 or emailed to leadership@aberdeenfcu.org.

I certify that everything I have stated on this application and any attachment is true.

_________________________________________ Date
Applicant Signature

I give permission to release my full name to the media should I receive this scholarship.

_________________________________________ Date
Applicant Signature

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Signature of Parent/Guardian (If under 18 years of age at time of application)
Please answer the following questions on a separate page and do not include your name.

I am currently attending:
______ High School
______ University, College, Junior College, Vocational or Business School

1. Personal Achievements (25 points):

2. Extracurricular Activities and Employment (25 points):

3. Credit Union Service Usage (5 points for each service used, maximum of 25 points):
   - Share Account (Savings Account)
   - Share Draft Account (Personal Checking Account)
   - Debit/ATM Card
   - Loan Product

4. Essay – 500 words or less (50 points):
How will Aberdeen Federal Credit Union help you achieve your goals during and after your school experience?

Application Deadline is Friday, April 17, 2015!

Mail application to: Aberdeen Federal Credit Union
Attn: Business Development Director
PO Box 1495
Aberdeen, SD 57402-1495
*Must be post marked by Thursday, April 16, 2015

Email application to: leadership@aberdeenfcu.org

Or drop off in a sealed envelope at Aberdeen FCU - Attn: Business Development Director