2017 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 2017-2018 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 2017)
- 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 2017-2018

**Judging**

1. Judging will be completed by impartial judges selected by 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* - *Certificate of Deposit (CD)*
     - *Online Banking (It’s Me 247)* - *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, March 31, 2017*
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Name ____________________________________________ Credit Union Member: Yes No

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 2017?

☐ 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.

Applicant Signature __________________________ Date __________

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

Applicant Signature __________________________ Date __________

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

I am currently attending:

_____ High School

_____ University, College, Junior College, Technical/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)
   - Certificate of Deposit (CD)
   - Online Banking (It’s Me 247)
   - Debit/ATM Card
   - Loan Product(s)

4. Essay – 500 words or less (50 points):

   How does Aberdeen Federal Credit Union provide pathways for you to achieve financial success?

Application Deadline is Friday, March 31, 2017!

Mail application to: Aberdeen Federal Credit Union
   Attn: Business Development Director
   PO Box 1495
   Aberdeen, SD 57402-1495
   *Must be post marked by Friday, March 31, 2017

Email application to: leadership@aberdeenfcu.org

OR Drop off in a sealed envelope at Aberdeen FCU - Attn: Business Development Director