



Lafayette Chapter of Credit Unions 2016 Scholarship Information Sheet

Eligibility: Graduating High School Seniors and Current College/Technical School Students

To be considered for the chapter scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be a member in good standing of one of the participating credit unions
- Be graduating from high school in the spring of 2016, or currently enrolled in undergraduate studies at an accredited college, university, or technical school or with plans to attend an accredited college, university or technical school full-time in the fall of 2016
- Have maintained a 3.0 GPA based on 6 high school semesters or 1 most recent, completed college semester
- Have scored a 21 or higher on the ACT exam
- Complete an application and personal essay.

Immediate family members of current employees and Board of Directors of any of the participating credit unions **ARE NOT** eligible for the scholarship.

Application Package:

All applicants must submit an application package which includes:

- A completed application
- A current high school transcript or college transcript
- A copy of his/her official ACT or SAT results
- Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a teacher from your junior or senior year (only applies to high school seniors), or your current college professor or advisor
- A personal essay

Application Deadline:

Completed application packages must be submitted no later than January 31, 2016 to:

**People's Credit Union
904 E. Texas Ave.
P.O. Box 290
Rayne, LA 70578**

Incomplete or late application packages will not be considered

Selection:

Each participating credit union will review the applications they receive and forward all qualified applications to the Scholarship Committee of the Lafayette Chapter of the Louisiana Credit Union League. Only one application will be accepted from each participating member, regardless of membership at multiple participating credit unions. Final selection of the scholarship recipient will be made through a random drawing to be held at a regular Chapter meeting.

Award:

The Scholarship Committee will award a \$2,000 scholarship to the designated recipient. The recipient can use the scholarship for any school related expenses. The recipient will receive \$1,000 in August for the fall semester and another \$1,000 in January for the spring semester. The checks will be made payable directly to the recipient when proof of registration for that semester has been provided to the Scholarship Committee.

Notification:

Each applicant will be notified by mail whether or not they have been chosen as the scholarship recipient. The scholarship recipient will receive notification by March 31, 2016.

Lafayette Chapter of Credit Unions
2016 Scholarship Application

Complete the following in its entirety. You may use attachments as necessary.

I. Personal Data

Name _____
 First Middle Last

Address _____
 Street City/State Zip

Age _____ Date of Birth _____ US Citizen (Y/N) _____ Other _____

Telephone # _____ Fax # _____ E-Mail _____

Applicant Credit Union Name and Account Number **(student must have their own account)**

(Parent or Legal Guardian)

Mother: Name _____ Occupation _____

Father: Name _____ Occupation _____

Name of School (only applies to high school seniors) _____

College/University/Vo-Tech School you plan to or currently attend _____

Anticipated or current Field of Study _____

II Essay Requirement

Please attach an essay on the following topics: Why do you believe you are deserving of this scholarship, what are your goals for the future, and how do you plan to achieve those goals. The essay will be disqualified if it is more than 2 pages in length (using a 12 point font and double spacing).

III References

Attach letters of recommendation from two persons, one of which must be from a teacher from your junior or senior year (only applies to high school seniors), or current college professor or advisor.

Name Address Position

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IV School and Community Activities

Please list school activities, including academic and athletic club memberships, and community service including social, church and volunteer experience. Please use the full name of the organization(s) and position(s) held, if any.

Organization name and leadership position held	Type of work/activity	Time commitment per week or month	Dates affiliated

(You may attach an additional sheet(s) if you need more space)

V Honors and Academic Awards

- A. Honor Society_____
- B. National Achievements_____
- C. Scholarship Awards_____
- D. Other (describe)_____

I certify that the information in this application and all accompanying documents are true and correct. I also certify that I personally answered all questions and wrote the essay relating to this scholarship application. I understand that if for any reason I discontinue my studies I must notify the Lafayette Chapter of the Louisiana Credit Union League within 10 days. I agree that the Chapter may use my name and possibly photograph (furnished by recipient) for publicity purpose.

Signature_____

Date

The completed application, including the essay and letters of recommendation must be received at the address below no later than January 31, 2016.

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