

February 1, 2019

Dear County Federal Member:

County Federal understands the importance of a higher education in today's society. We are also aware of the rising costs of tuition and other related expenses which prohibit many students from reaching their college dreams and goals.

In response, County Federal will be awarding educational scholarships to *graduating high school seniors and post-secondary students** enrolled in an accredited university or community/technical college on a full and part-time basis.** Awards will range from \$500 to \$1,500. Scholarships will be payable in one installment in August prior to the Fall 2019 semester.

All participating students will be required to complete the attached application and online survey, write an essay and attach a copy of their most current high school or college transcript to the application. Scholarships will be judged on completing an online survey (5%), Cumulative GPA (10%), community and high school involvement (15%) and an essay (70%).

If you are interested in participating in County Federal's Educational Scholarship Program, please complete and submit your application, essay, most current transcript, online survey, photograph and photo release via email to specialprograms@sccfcu.org by Friday, April 5th, 2019.

The recipients will be notified by **May 31st, 2019**. Recipients will also be featured in an upcoming issue of County Federal's Solutions Newsletter, on our website and other promotional material.

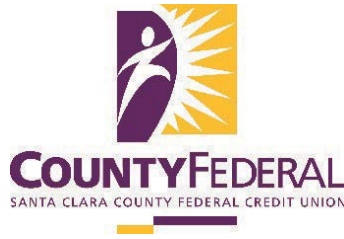
We wish you well as you work toward achieving your educational goals.

Sincerely,

Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union

*Graduate School students working towards a Master's Degree or Credential are not eligible.

** Part-time basis is defined as carrying a minimum of 6 units.



2019 Educational Scholarship Application

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All eligible applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Student must be a graduating high school senior or post-secondary student - ages 17 to 25
- Student must have a Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Student must carry a minimum of 6.0 units (part-time college)
- Student must be a ***member*** in good standing with **Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union**
- Student must be in good standing with their high school/college and may not be on disciplinary or academic probation
- Letter of Acceptance and Verification of Enrollment need to be provided by **July 31st, 2019**

Scholarship Scoring Criteria:

- 5% Online Survey
- 15% Community and High School/College Involvement
- 70% Written Essay
- 10% Cumulative Grade Point Average

To apply for a County Federal Educational Scholarship, please complete the following information. Attach additional pages if necessary.

Name _____

Account Number _____

Address _____

Phone Number (_____) _____

Email _____

High School/College _____

H.S./College Phone Number (_____) _____

Guidance Counselor's Name _____

Principal/Dean's Name _____

Complete the following information

Check the one that applies for Fall 2019

Four-year College _____ Community College _____ Technical/Trade _____

1. Community and High School/College Involvement - 15%

1. Answers must be typed and double-spaced.
2. School Honors, Awards, & Activities – Indicate year of awards, honors activities and a brief description of each.
3. Community Activities and Volunteer Experience – Give a brief description/objective and date for each activity.

2. Written essay - 70%

1. Please answer this essay question:

How have you made a difference in your community?

2. Essay must be typed, double-spaced and not exceed two pages in length.
3. Essay will be judged on clarity of expression, content, composition and originality.

3. Online Survey - 5%

- Complete the Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union Survey:

o <https://mbr411.com/o83q9>

4. Grade Point Average - 10%

- Attach a copy of your school transcript to this application.

Current Photo

Please include a current photo of yourself and sign/return the attached Publicity and Photo Release Form. This photo will be used on our website if you are selected as one of our finalists and recipients will also be featured in an upcoming issue of County Federal's Solutions Newsletter and other promotional material. A digital copy must be included in your application submission.

Submit your application packet to specialprograms@sccfcu.org

Your application packet must be received by 11:59:59 pm on Friday, April 5th, 2019

Recipients will be notified by May 31st, 2019



Publicity and Photo Release Form

I hereby grant to the Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union (County Federal) the absolute and irrevocable right and unrestricted permission to use my name, likeness, image, voice, and/ or appearance as such may be embodied in any photos, video recordings, audiotapes, digital images, and the like, taken or made on behalf of the County Federal or its partners. I agree that the County Federal has complete ownership of such material and can use said material for any purpose consistent with the County Federal mission. These uses include, but are not limited to, videos, publications, advertisements, news releases, web sites, social media platforms and any promotional or educational materials in any medium. I acknowledge that I will not receive any compensation for the use of such images, video, likeness, etc.

I hereby release and discharge the County Federal, and its agents, representatives and assignees from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of my name, likeness, image, voice and/or appearance, including any and all claims for invasion of privacy, right of publicity, misappropriation or misuse of image, and/or defamation.

I represent that I am over the age of eighteen (18) years and that I have read the foregoing and fully understand its contents. * This release shall be binding upon me, my heirs, legal representatives, and assigns.

This agreement is being made and entered into under the laws of the State of California and shall be governed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of said state. This agreement embodies the entire agreement of the parties (subject and photographer). No modification of this agreement shall be of any effect unless it is made in writing and signed by all of the parties to the agreement.

Name (Printed): _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

* If the person signing is under the age of 18, consent from a parent or guardian is needed.

I hereby certify that I am the parent or legal guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of this individual.

Parent/Guardian's Name (Printed): _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make sure to submit all items below:

- 2019 Educational Scholarship Application
- Typed list of your Community and High School/College Involvement
- Typed essay
- Complete the Santa Clara County Federal Credit Union Survey
- Copy of your school transcript
- Send in current photo with application to specialprograms@sccfcu.org
- Completed Publicity and Photo Release Form

GOOD LUCK!