



## The Award

The Ridgedale Federal Credit Union scholarship is an award of \$1,000 to be paid jointly to the winning student and the student's chosen accredited educational institution. There will be two winners, each to receive a \$1,000 award.

## Eligibility

The applicant must be a member in good standing at Ridgedale Federal Credit Union and must be enrolled as a high school senior at the time of the application.

Scholarship funds must be used for tuition only at an accredited educational institution (4-year College, University and/or Community College) for the upcoming 2023/2024 school year.

## Application Process

Eligible members must complete this scholarship application in its entirety and return it to Ridgedale Federal Credit Union no later than the June 1, 2023 deadline. Send completed application to Ridgedale Federal Credit Union, 124 South Ridgedale Ave., East Hanover, NJ 07936, ATTN: Pam Callender, or email to [scholarship@Ridgedalefcu.org](mailto:scholarship@Ridgedalefcu.org). A student may submit only one application. The application must be completed and signed by the student and parent/guardian as well as a management-level official of the student's participating credit union (see page 2).

The signed and completed application must be submitted with the following:

- An official high school transcript that includes a cumulative GPA of completed marking periods as of date of submission. GPA must be NON-WEIGHTED on a 4.0 scale.
- The completed Teacher Reference portion of the application (see page 4). It must be completed and signed by one of the applicant's teachers.

The application (page 2 and 3 of this form), transcript, and Teacher Reference (page 4) must be returned to Ridgedale Federal Credit Union by the application deadline: June 1, 2023. If any portion of the application is incomplete or not included, the applicant will be disqualified.

## Selection Process

Judging is based on academic performance, extracurricular activities, community service/involvement, references, and leadership roles. The credit union will notify winners of the scholarship by June 15, 2023, via email and US mail.

## Application Verification (For Credit Union Use Only)

Application will not be considered unless this section is completed in full by the participating credit union's management.

I hereby certify that the following applicant is a credit union member in good standing.

Credit Union Official's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Union Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Scholarship Applicant Information

Applicant will not be eligible unless all information is completed and requested documentation is provided. Please type or print clearly. When filling in the information below, use only the space provided. Please do not attach any additional sheets or resumes to this application.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Institution You Plan to Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fill in the appropriate box for the above-mentioned institution:

4-Year College/University       Community College

## Certification and Release Authorization

The application must be signed by both the student and the parent/guardian of the student before the applicant can be considered for a scholarship. Please have the appropriate parties sign and date below.

I certify that the information in this application is true, complete, and accurate and that I am a member in good standing of the above credit union. I authorize the release of my information for the purpose of confirming the validity of this application.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Tell Us About Yourself!

Please list your academic achievement and awards, community service involvement, and extracurricular activities in the spaces provided below. If applicable, please also indicate if you have held a leadership role or held a leadership position for each activity. Leadership titles can include, but are not limited to: manager, supervisor, counselor, team captain, cabin leader, president, vice president, etc.

### Academic Achievements/Awards

### Leadership Role/Position

1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
10. _____	_____
11. _____	_____
12. _____	_____

### Community Service

### Leadership Role/Position

1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
10. _____	_____
11. _____	_____
12. _____	_____

### Extracurricular Activities

### Leadership Role/Position

(Sports, clubs, organizations, jobs, etc.)

1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____
8. _____	_____
9. _____	_____
10. _____	_____
11. _____	_____
12. _____	_____

# Teacher Reference

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The above-named student is applying for a credit union college scholarship. The student will be competing with students of whom have submitted a completed application across the state.

Please complete the questionnaire below by checking off the options that best describe the student's performance. When completed and signed, return the questionnaire to the student. If this questionnaire is not completed and signed, the applicant will not be eligible for the scholarship. The student must return the materials to his/her credit union by June 1, 2023. Thank you for your cooperation.

## 1. Participation in Discussion

- Always involved, often initiates
- Usually participates
- Often participates
- Occasionally participates
- Seldom Participates

## 2. Involvement in Classroom Activities

- Very active in all activities
- Often active in some activities
- Somewhat active, politely attentive
- Distracted, seldom participates
- Greatly inattentive

## 3. Pursuit of Independent Study (work outside of the classroom)

- Substantial study and major projects
- Considerable study and/or major projects
- Some study and minor projects
- Minimal study or minor projects
- No evidence of independent study

## 4. Evenness of Performance

- Consistent, varies no more than one mark
- Occasionally varies more than one mark
- Uneven, often varies two marks
- Erratic, performance fluctuates greatly

## 5. Critical/Questioning Attitude

- High level of independent/critical thinking
- Moderate level of independent/critical thinking
- Mild level of independent or critical thinking
- Minimal critical thinking
- Little to no independent or critical thinking

## 6. Depth of Understanding

- Excellent insight
- Good understanding
- Some insight
- Little insight
- Poor understanding

## 7. Personal Responsibility

- Always fully accepts
- Usually fully accepts
- Partially accepts
- Sometimes refuses
- Often Refuses

## 8. Consideration for Others

- Always considerate
- Usually considerate
- Little consideration
- Sometimes inconsiderate
- Often inconsiderate

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_