



Federal Credit Union

Scholarship Application

The Bell Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program was established to provide educational funds for members who are graduating high school seniors.

Scholarship Amount:

Bell FCU will award two (2) \$500 scholarships for tuition and fees to two (2) full-time students enrolled in an accredited college, university, trade or technical school for the 2010-2011 academic year.

Deadline:

Completed application and all documents must be received by Bell FCU no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, April 23, 2010. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Eligibility Requirements:

Bell FCU employees, directors, committee members, and their immediate families are not eligible.

1. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior.
2. Applicant must have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA.
3. Applicant must be a primary Bell FCU member (name listed first on the account). Applicant's account must be in good standing.

Criteria for Application:

It is the responsibility of the applicant to see that all information is received by the Credit Union by the deadline.

Before Mailing:

- Include three, one-page essays with this application.
- Request an official transcript to be mailed to Bell FCU in a sealed, stamped envelope.

Applicant must submit:

1. An official high school transcript for the most current semester available, with the total cumulative grade point average (GPA) on the transcript. Transcript must be received by Bell FCU directly from the school in a sealed envelope by the deadline of April 23, 2010.
2. A completed Bell FCU Scholarship application along with typed, double-spaced, one-page essays on each of the following topics:
 - a. Why have you decided to pursue higher education and how do you think it will impact your life?
 - b. Choose one activity listed on the previous page and talk about its significance and why you have chosen to participate in this activity.
 - c. How is a credit union different from other financial institutions? What does that difference mean to you?

Each of the three essays must be a maximum of one page.

Awarding of Scholarships:

Decisions are made by the Bell FCU Scholarship Selection Committee. All decisions are final.

Information:

Call Bell FCU at 605.338.2533 or toll free at 800.370.9555.

Important:

Please do not send in any part of the application package separately except for your transcript and do not include any extra materials. Scholarship applications will not be considered unless all required information is received by the deadline of April 23, 2010. Applicants are encouraged to submit their applications early.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED



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Please type or print all information. Scholarship applications are current only for the academic year submitted.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

BellFCU Account No. _____ High School _____

Graduation Date _____ Cumulative GPA _____

College, University or School you plan to attend _____

Field of Study _____

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 essays relating to this scholarship application. I understand that if for any reason I discontinue my studies I must notify Bell FCU within 10 days. I agree that the Credit Union may use my name and possibly photograph (furnished by recipient) for publicity purposes.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

Mail application, essays and transcripts to:

Bell Federal Credit Union
Attn: Scholarship Committee
3809 S. Kiwanis Circle
Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Bell Federal Credit Union pays one payment in the Fall to the college, university or school after applicant's acceptance in that institution. The Credit Union reserves the right to withhold award of all scholarships if too few qualified applications are received. Applications become the property of Bell Federal Credit Union.



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In all the following categories, select only activities, honors, community service, etc., which you feel exemplify your achievements to the fullest extent. Use only the space provided. Do not include extra materials.

Only this application will be evaluated.

A. List school activities, including athletics and club memberships, and community service including social, church, and volunteer experience. Use the full name of the organizations.

Activity/Organization	Grade Level				Position Held	Comments
	9	10	11	12		

B. List honors, awards, scholarships or grants you have received.

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C. List work experience. Include any job (including summer employment) you held during the past three years.

Type of Work	Employer	Dates of Employment	Hours per week

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