



Beacon Federal Credit Union Annual Scholarship Award

The Beacon Federal Credit Union College Scholarship Program was established in 2001. The Board of Directors has voted again this year to offer scholarships to selected graduating high school seniors who are members of this credit union. From the applications received this year, a committee appointed by the Board of Directors will select the winners of (3) \$2,000 scholarships, (1) \$1,000 James H. (Bull) Bounds scholarship, (1) \$1,000 scholarship in memory of Mr. Danny Silence and (1) \$1,000 Charles "Cliff" Walker.

Am I eligible to apply?

Yes, if:

- **You open a new, or have an existing, Beacon Federal Credit Union Share Savings account with a \$5.00 minimum balance**
- You are a graduating high school senior in the 2026-2027 school year
- You are planning to attend an accredited two-year or four-year College, University, or Vocational/Technical school in the State of Texas

How do I apply?

Complete the 2-page application and include all required attachments (essay, transcript).

Return the completed application to Beacon Federal Credit Union at the address below or drop it off at any of our locations no later than **5 pm, Friday, March 5, 2027.**

**Beacon Federal Credit Union Scholarships
Attn: Scholarship Committee
Beacon Federal Credit Union
P.O. Box 1704
La Porte, TX 77572-1704**

NOTICE

Incomplete applications (missing information, transcripts) will not be eligible for review. If necessary, you may attach additional pages to complete your application.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please contact Nora Arenivas at 281-471-1782 ext. 4702.



Beacon Federal Credit Union Scholarship Criteria

The Beacon Federal Credit Union is offering college scholarships for the 2026-2027:

1. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors with a minimum of a 3.0 G.P.A., verified by an official transcript.
2. The applicant must be a member in good standing with Beacon Federal Credit Union.
3. The scholarships will be awarded to applicants who express intent to pursue a course of study that will allow him or her to earn an Associate's, Bachelor's Degree, or Vocational Certification.
4. The scholarship must be used for the purpose of study at an accredited College, University, or Vocational/Trade school in the State of Texas.
5. Areas of consideration for selection will include need, academic achievement, character, and leadership.
6. If selected as a finalist, the applicant may be required to participate in a personal interview.
7. A committee appointed by the Board of Directors of the credit union will determine the winners.
8. If any of the committee's choices do not accept the scholarships, alternate applicants will be selected.
9. The applicant must submit a **typed** 250-word essay entitled: How does the credit union philosophy, "People Helping People," apply to your life?
10. If selected, we will use your image (photo)

Please Note:

The application, essay, and all other required paperwork must be submitted to Beacon Federal Credit Union by **5 pm on Friday, March 5, 2027.** Applications will then be reviewed, and essays will be judged.

Applicant# _____
(Credit Union Use Only)



Scholarship Student Application

Application Information: Type all required information. Only completed applications will be considered.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Beacon FCU Member #: _____ Last 4 social security #: _____ Birth Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____

Education Information - *You must submit an official high school transcript.*

High School: _____

SAT Score: _____ ACT Score: _____ GPA: _____ Class Rank: _____ / _____

Name of accredited post-secondary school you plan to attend: _____

☐ 2-Year Community College ☐ 4-Year College/University ☐ Vocational/Technical School

Essay

Please attach a **typed 250-word document**, double-spaced, typed essay addressing the following question:

How does the Credit Union philosophy, "People Helping People," apply to your life today, and what have you done to help others?

Please feel free to include examples of personal experiences.

Application Checklist

- ☐ Beacon Federal Member Number
- ☐ Application Form
- ☐ High School Transcript
- ☐ Essay
- ☐ Waiver of release of liability & photo consent form

Signature

I, the applicant, certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

Course of Study

Please describe the course of study/major you are planning to follow. (Please type your answer)

Goals

Share your long-range personal and career goals. (Please type your answer)

Why is receiving this scholarship important to you? (Please type your answer)

Activities Information

List all activities (school and community) in which you have participated, listing any awards or honors received.
(You may attach a separate sheet if necessary)

Activities/Awards/Honors

Positions Held

Yrs. Participated

Employment Information

List all jobs you have held, including employment dates. Describe job responsibilities and hours worked per week. If you did not work during high school, please state **not applicable**.
