



Mid Carolina Credit Union Scholarship Application Form

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2023-2024 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

As part of our ongoing effort to invest in the future of our community, Mid Carolina Credit Union (MCCU) proudly offers a college scholarship program for our teen members. MCCU will be awarding four (4) \$500 scholarships. All scholarships are one-time awards with funds disbursed in May.

Instructions

Please print clearly the following information. **Applicant must be a Mid Carolina member.** See next page for membership information. Turn in completed application with all applicable signatures and attachments in a sealed envelope to your local Mid Carolina Credit Union location, email marketing@midcarolinacu.com, or mail to:

Mid Carolina Credit Union, Attn: Scholarship Committee
PO Box 549, Lugoff, SC 29078

Application deadline is February 28, 2024.

Please note: Read and complete application carefully. If application is incomplete or found to be inaccurate, it will not be considered. Applications may be printed at www.midcarolinacu.com.

Personal Information

Applicant Name: _____ Home Phone: _____

Home Address: _____ Cell/Alt Phone: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Email: _____

Mid Carolina CU Acct. # (last 4 digits): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Are you currently employed or have you held a job in the past?: _____

Employer/Type of work?: _____

Academic Information

High School Attending: _____ City: _____

Graduation Date: _____ (Month/Year)

GPA (on 4.0 scale): _____ (Please include most recent official school transcript)

I plan to attend the following college/university/tech in the fall: _____

Anticipated Major or Course of Study: _____

Please List Your Academic Activities, Awards, Honors, Clubs, Positions Held and Memberships

(You may attach a list on a separate sheet of paper if necessary.)

Please List Your Community Service Activities, Hobbies, Interests, and Extracurricular Activities

(You may attach a list on a separate sheet of paper if necessary.)

Essay Question

A core credit union philosophy is “people helping people”. This attitude of service is a driving principle for credit unions, and as such has helped to shape the industry and the impact credit unions have made around the world. Mid Carolina Credit Union is a local community supporting organization. We host fundraisers, sponsor events, make donations to area organizations, and participate in programs such as food drives and charity walks. If you were given \$10,000 and 30 days to make an impact on the community, what would you do? Please include your response in an essay of 300-500 words.

Essays must be between 300-500 words and will be scored on the following: meaningfulness, creativity, and originality. All essays must be typed. Applicants are asked to avoid identifying themselves, using proper names or specifically identifying names (including school and church names) in their essays. Applicants are also asked not to put their name on the essays.

Financial Wellness & Education

Complete the Banzai Teen financial course found on our website (www.midcarolinacu.banzai.org/wellness) between 12/1/23 and 2/28/24. Use same email for both this application and Banzai enrollment. Your email will be used to confirm course completion and score.

Complete the course and the Post-Test with a score of 80% or higher. **Your Score:** _____

Requested Documents & Information Letter of Recommendation/ Character Reference

1. Please include two character reference(s) in the format of a letter of recommendation. Letter(s) of recommendation/ character reference(s) will in no case be accepted from family members of the applicant.
2. Include a most recent official high school transcript showing applicant GPA
3. A digital photo of applicant (for scholarship announcements) sent to marketing@midcarolinacu.com, subject: scholarship applicant.

Application and Authorization Information

The application and all attachments thereto must be signed, completed and submitted to Mid Carolina Credit Union. If an applicant fails to complete the entire application or submit all of the items requested, the application will not be considered. Please note that the application must be signed by the applicant/student **and** the parent/guardian of the applicant, and if either of such signatures is not on the application, the application will be deemed incomplete and will not be considered. **The applicant must be an account holder with Mid Carolina CU prior to application deadline of February 28th. Membership is open to Kershaw and Richland Counties.**

In order to receive the scholarship, the recipient must attend an accredited four-year, two-year or tech college of the recipient’s choice. The scholarship will be granted only to a graduating high school senior, and will be announced and awarded in the spring prior to the recipient’s graduation. However, the scholarship is contingent upon the recipient graduating from high school and passing required graduation exam(s). The scholarship will be deposited into the recipients Mid Carolina CU account prior to graduation, around May 10th.

_____/ _____ (Initial) We, the undersigned, understand that my/our name and information from the scholarship application and any or all attachments may be released to the scholarship selection committee. If awarded a scholarship, I/we release to Mid Carolina Credit Union the right to use my/our name, story, application and all attachments, and picture for printed and video materials, reports, advertising, Internet and press releases, without compensation. I/we also recognize the advisability of communicating a letter of thanks to the credit union and scholarship selection committee.

Mid Carolina Credit Union and the scholarship selection committee does not and will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, religion or national origin, or any other basis in either the application process or in the consideration and granting of the scholarships provided by Mid Carolina Credit Union. The scholarship will not be awarded solely based on grades.

By submitting the application and all applicable attachments, and with signatures below, the applicant and parent/guardian certify that the information submitted is true and correct, and agree to the scholarship conditions as set forth in the application document.

Applicant/Student Signature

Date

Parent/ Guardian Signature

Date