



2026 Family First Credit Union College/Trade School Scholarship Program

Family First Credit Union will be awarding **three \$2,000 college scholarships** to outstanding high school seniors who are members of Family First CU. This year's theme is **"F.I.R.S.T. – Family. Integrity. Relationships. Service. Trust. – An acronym of Family First key values. Select one and describe how it's important to you in everyday life and your future."**

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Have an account at Family First FCU in their name and be members in good standing
- Be currently enrolled as a high school senior at the time of application
- Plan to attend an accredited college, university or trade school in the 2026-2027 school year

Selection Process

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on their academic performance, community involvement, extracurricular activities, and video/essay responses.

Application Process

To apply student members must complete this scholarship application in full. Please attach additional pages to the application containing your essay response. **Applicants will receive a score of zero for any incomplete sections of this application.**

The application must also include two written recommendations – one academic, one personal.

The signed application must be submitted with an official copy of the student's high school transcript and an optional copy of the student's SAT and/or ACT scores (please do not send the original). If it is required by the applicant's high school, these items may be sent directly from the guidance office. It is the student's responsibility to ensure that their school transcripts have been submitted. The application can also be submitted online at www.familyfirstny.com

Send all completed scholarship materials to:

Family First Credit Union
Attention: Scholarship
2520 Browncroft Blvd
Rochester, NY 14625

Applications must be postmarked by March 12, 2026 (if mailed) or received in one of our branches no later than Saturday, March 14, 2026. Family First employees or their immediate family members are not eligible.

Scholarship winners will be notified by mail on or before April 10, 2026 and will be announced publicly at the Family First Annual Meeting on April 22, 2026. Thank you for applying.

Application Form

Applicants must complete all information and provide requested documentation. Please type or print clearly using blue or black ink.

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Student's Email Address _____

Parent's Email Address (if applicable) _____

High School _____ Graduation Date _____

SAT / ACT Scores (optional) _____ High School GPA _____

Name of institution/schools(s) you are planning to attend _____

Certification and Release Authorization

I certify this information is true, complete and accurate. I also authorize release of information to confirm and/or verify this application. If I am awarded a scholarship, Family First of NY Federal Credit Union may use my name and/or photo for publicity purposes.

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Student's CU Account Number _____

Thank you for participating in the
Family First of NY Federal Credit Union
College Scholarship Program!

Extracurricular and Community Service Activities

Please list any extracurricular activities that you have participated in over the last five-year period including clubs, sports, social, religious or community organizations and volunteer work. An activities resume may also be attached for consideration.

Activities	Leadership Roles	Special Awards and Recognition	Years Participated

Career and Educational Goals

Please tell us a little about your career and educational goals as well as your plans for reaching those goals.

Video or Written Essay

Please attach your response in essay form to the following question or submit your video online on our scholarship webpage.

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For Essay: Your response should be typed using 12pt. type and be double-spaced. Your response should be between 300-500 words and include your full name in the top right hand corner. Neatness, grammar, punctuation and creativity will be considered in the scoring process for this section. Points will be deducted if the essay is not typed.

For Video: Please upload your video to a video sharing service like YouTube or Vimeo and include the link here: [\[Link\]](#).

Written Recommendation

We require two written letters of recommendation – one academic and one personal – for this scholarship. Please attach the letter to this application for consideration. If preferred, the letter can be sent directly to:

Family First Credit Union
Attention: Scholarship
2520 Browncroft Blvd
Rochester, NY 14625

Reminder: The deadline to receive all application information is **Saturday, March 14, 2026**.

The
Len Szumiloski
Scholarship



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Please give this sheet to your guidance counselor.

Name of Student: _____

Date: _____

School: _____

Dear Counselor:

The above student is applying for a college scholarship from Family First of NY Federal Credit Union. Each applicant is required to submit an official copy of their SAT and/or ACT scores, (please do not send originals) as well as high school transcript (signed and sealed). If your school's transcripts include the applicant's SAT/ACT scores, this will be accepted as well. We appreciate your assistance in providing this information prior to the application deadline of Saturday, March 14, 2026.

Thank you for your efforts on behalf of your student.

Sincerely,

Scholarship Committee
Family First of NY Federal Credit Union

Note: If possible, please return all information to the scholarship applicant upon completion. If you are required to mail transcript information, please send it to:

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Rochester, NY 14625