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JOURNEY FCU CORE4 SCHOLARSHIP

2026 APPLICATION



Journey Federal Credit Union is proud to award four High School Seniors each with a \$1,000 scholarship. One student will be chosen from each of the following High Schools:

ST. JOHNS | FOWLER | OVID | ALMA

To be eligible for the scholarship the applicant must:

- **Be a member of Journey Federal Credit Union since January 1 of the current calendar year and in good standing.**
- **Be enrolled as a High School Senior at the time of application.**
- **Must be accepted/enrolled in an accredited institution and/or working towards their first undergraduate degree.**
- **Use scholarship funds for tuition or textbooks.**

Applicants must submit the *entire application packet, a High School transcript, and at least 2 non-relative letters of recommendation* to any Journey Federal Credit Union location by **March 15, 2026** or mail completed application to:

**JOURNEY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
ATTENTION: MARKETING DEPARTMENT
1200 ZEEB DRIVE
ST. JOHNS, MI 48879**

Mailed applications must be postmarked by **March 15, 2026**.

A Credit Union Scholarship Selection Committee will make the selection of scholarship recipients. The selection process will be based upon both objective and subjective criteria including essays, academic performance, community involvement, curricular & extracurricular activities, and personal goals. Scholarship winners will be contacted directly and, when applicable, announced at their schools' awards ceremony.



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NAME _____ JFCU ACCT # _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ PHONE # _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED _____

ANTICIPATED GRADUATION DATE _____

NAME OF INSTITUTION YOU PLAN TO ATTEND _____

PLANNED COURSE OF STUDY _____

HONORS & AWARDS RECEIVED _____

SCHOLARSHIPS RECEIVED _____

LIST ANY COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/VOLUNTEERING COMPLETED WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL

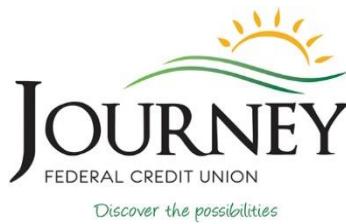
CURRICULAR & EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES _____

WORK EXPERIENCE – LIST ANY PART-TIME OR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT FROM THE LAST
TWO YEARS, INCLUDING DATES _____

By signing and submitting this application, I give permission to Journey Federal Credit Union to check my high school records and to verify the information on this application. If chosen by the Credit Union, I agree to allow JFCU to reprint the essay in a publication and use my photograph for any lawful purpose including: publication, illustration, advertising & web content. I certify that all of the information on the application is true and understand that any false or misleading information will void this application. (Parent signature required if applicant is under the age of 18.)

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____



It is required that you complete an essay question to be considered for our scholarship. Your essay answer must be *at least 300 words* in length and will be judged on response relevance, personal insight, and grammar.

Please **choose ONE** of the following essay questions:

1. Credit Unions were built on a strong sense of community and service. Describe a situation where you helped meet a need in your community. How did this experience influence your understanding of service and responsibility?
2. How will you use the products and services offered by JFCU while in college? Which ones do you plan to use most often & why? What products or services would you like to see offered at JFCU that are not currently available?
3. What is one financial lesson you wished you would have learned in high school and why? What financial lesson(s) did you learn by being a JFCU member?
4. It's ten years in the future – the year 2036. Describe your vision of how you will manage your personal finances, including how you will spend, save and borrow. Imagine how your Credit Union will help make that vision a reality.



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RECOMMENDATION FORM

_____ has applied for the Journey FCU CORE4 Scholarship. One of the requirements to be eligible for the scholarship is to provide two letters of recommendation from a non-relative individual (teacher, coach, community leader, etc.)

Journey Federal Credit Union has a strong sense of pride in their CORE4 values. Please include in your letter your relationship to the student and how you feel the above student demonstrates the following CORE4 values:

Trust/Honesty

Teamwork

Integrity

Respect

Thank you in advance for your assistance!

Sincerely,

Journey Federal Credit Union