

High School Student Scholarship Application

2025-2026 Academic Year

IU Credit Union is offering (10) \$1,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Eligibility Requirements

- The applicant OR applicant's legal guardian must be an IU Credit Union member in good standing, and maintain that membership status throughout the duration of the award. A member in good standing is defined as one with a minimum account balance of \$5 and no loan delinquencies.
- The applicant must be enrolled in or intend to enroll in an undergraduate degree or certificate program at an accredited university, college or vocation program on a full-time basis for the duration of the 2025-2026 academic year.
- IU Credit Union employees, officials and their immediate family members are not eligible.
- The applicant must have a high school grade point average of 3.25 or more.

Award Disbursements

- The awards are for tuition, books and/or fees only and will be paid directly to the academic institution in which the recipient is enrolled.
- The award amount will be sent in two disbursements, one per semester, for the 2025-2026 academic year only. Stipends cannot be applied to summer courses.
- Should a recipient drop out between semester disbursements, the recipient would forfeit the remainder of the scholarship to an alternate chosen by the selection committee.

Application Instructions

Disregarding the following instructions will automatically deem an applicant ineligible. Be sure to read instructions carefully.

- All parts of the application must be completed, including the application form and typed responses to five questions. **Incomplete or unsigned applications will be deemed ineligible.** All information included in the application will be treated as confidential.
- **Do not staple** any parts of the application.
- **Do not include or attach supplemental items** such as transcripts.
- Place the **last four digits of your Social Security number** in the upper right corner of each page.
- **Do not include your name or any other identifying information** in your typed answers. Only include this information on the application form.

Application Submission

The deadline for submission is **March 29, 2025**. Mailed applications must be postmarked by the deadline date. Submit the completed application to any IU Credit Union branch or mail to:

ATTN: Paige Ferguson
IU Credit Union
PO Box 368
Bloomington, IN 47402-0368

Application Criteria

Respond to the following questions. Answers must be typed (not handwritten) on 8.5"x11" white paper. Please do not print on both sides.

- List in bullet point format any high school activities, extracurriculars and athletics in which you are/have been involved. Include dates of involvement and any honors or awards received.
- List in bullet point format any community service and volunteer work you have completed, as well as any paid work experience. Include dates of involvement and any honors or awards received.
- What are your ambitions following the completion of your degree or certification?
- How will you use your education to make a positive impact in your community?
- Write a short essay describing a situation where you demonstrated leadership and overcame obstacles in your school, social or family life.

Selection Criteria

Applicants will be judged based on the following criteria.

- Personal achievements (10 pts.)
 - School activities, extracurriculars and athletics (5 pts.)
 - Community service/volunteer work and paid work experience (5 pts.)
- Goals (10 pts.)
 - Ambitions following degree completion (5 pts.)
 - Aspirations to positively impact community (5 pts.)
- Short essay (10 pts.)
- Writing skills (5 pts.)
 - Content, clarity, grammar, spelling, punctuation and neatness (5 pts.)

No staples, please.

Last four digits of Social Security number: _____



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Name: _____ IUCU account number: _____

Address: _____ City, State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

High School: ☐ Bloomington North ☐ Bloomington South ☐ Center Grove ☐ Eastern Greene
☐ Edgewood ☐ Greenwood ☐ Owen Valley ☐ The Academy of Science & Entrepreneurship

Other: _____

School to be attended during the 2025-2026 school year: _____

Do you plan to enroll full-time in a degree or certificate program? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Planned field of study: _____

Do you know of other scholarships you will be receiving? If so, what awards and what are the scholarship amounts?

I hereby attest that all of the information I have provided for this application is true and accurate. Furthermore, I understand that a history of my financial relationship with IU Credit Union will be researched. If selected as a recipient, I understand that any misstatement or omission of fact on this application may result in the termination of my award.

☐ I am, or my legal guardian is an IU Credit Union member in good standing.

If guardian account, please provide name: _____

☐ I will be enrolled in an accredited university or college during the 2025-2026 academic year.

☐ My grade point average is at least 3.25.

☐ I understand IU Credit Union will use my name and photo for public relations purposes if selected as a recipient.

Signature: _____ Date: _____