



Eligibility Requirements and Application for Scholarship

2025 EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

TFCU knows college is on your mind which is why we continue to offer our annual scholarship program by committing three scholarships to members wishing to continue their education. This year, the scholarships are:

- 1 scholarship for \$5,000 - high school student
- 1 scholarship for \$2,500 - high school student
- 1 scholarship for \$2,500 - non-traditional student

The scholarship program is open to both high school seniors preparing for college as well as adult students who are already in college, adults planning on attending college or adults returning to college for a master's level of education.

Eligibility for all scholarships

1. Scholarships are available for accredited colleges or technical schools.
2. The applicant must be a member in good standing at Tropical Financial Credit Union as of May 15, 2025; being a relative of a member does not qualify the applicant.
3. Tropical Financial Credit Union employees, elected or appointed officials of this Credit Union, and their immediate families are ineligible to apply. Immediate family is defined as child, spouse, or parent.

Requirements

1. Must meet all eligibility requirements.
2. The applicant is required to submit a letter of recommendation.
3. The applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
4. The applicant is required to submit an essay summarizing educational goals, how Tropical Financial Credit Union has assisted you in your finances, and your personal objectives. This essay must be a maximum of 500 words typewritten (not handwritten).
5. The online application form and all supporting documentation must be uploaded to Tropical's Scholarship page (listed below) between April 1, 2025 and no later than 11:59 pm on May 15, 2025. Applications will not be accepted at the branches.

2025 Scholarship Page: <https://www.tropicalfcu.com/scholarship-2025>

6. The applicant must be accepted/enrolled to a college or technical school before scholarship funds are disbursed.

Factors Considered

1. Grade point average (for current students)
2. Typed Essay
3. Letter of Recommendation
4. Community Involvement/Charitable Works
5. Extracurricular involvement in school
6. Employment history, if applicable

Selection and Judges

All applications will be verified for accuracy. Scholarship recipients will be chosen based on the information submitted and without regard to income, race, religion, national origin, sex, handicap, or familial status. Factors considered will be judged as a whole, leading to the choices of well-rounded individuals.

Judges' decisions will be final. Requirements may be amended as deemed necessary by judges. Judges' choices will be made known to the recipients no later than May 31, 2025.

The scholarship recipients agree to have their pictures and names featured in Tropical Financial Credit Union communications (including social media), advertising, and media press releases.

Scholarship Application



Personal Information

Name _____ Date _____
Street Address _____ Male Female
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Email _____ TFCU Account No. _____
Date of Birth _____ Name(s) of Parent or Guardian (if under 18) _____

Education Information

School currently attending _____
Cumulative Grade Point Average (**attach your transcript – current students**) _____ SAT Score _____ ACT Score _____
(attach copy – high school seniors only)
Intended College or Technical School _____
Location _____ Your Major _____
School Awards and Honors _____

Extracurricular Activity Information

Volunteer involvement in school, community, religious, and/or charitable organizations _____

Work Experience (provide dates of employment) _____

Award and Honors _____

Upload official transcripts with cumulative GPA and SAT/ACT Score, letter of recommendation, and 500 word (maximum) typewritten essay summarizing your educational goals and personal objectives to TFCU's scholarship page. **ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DEADLINE.**

I attest that I am a member of Tropical Financial Credit Union as of or before May 15, 2025. I agree to have my picture and name featured in TFCU promotional materials and media press releases:

Applicant's Signature _____ Today's Date _____
Parent or Guardian's signature – if under 18 _____ Today's Date _____