



### 2021 EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Even during these difficult times, TFCU knows college is still in mind which is why we want to continue 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

This year's scholarship 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 March 30th, 2021; 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. All applicants are required to submit a letter of recommendation.
3. Applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
4. Applicants are 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 March 1, 2021 and no later than 11:59pm on March 31st, 2021. Applications will not be accepted at branches this year.

**2021 Scholarship Page:** <https://www.tropicalfcu.com/scholarship>

6. 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 April 30th, 2021.

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 _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> 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 _____	<input type="checkbox"/> SAT Score _____	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT Score _____
Cumulative Grade Point Average ( <b>attach your transcript – current students</b> ) _____	(attach copy – high school seniors only)	
Intended College or Technical School _____		
Location _____	Your Major _____	
School Awards and Honors _____		
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## Extracurricular Activity Information

Volunteer involvement in school, community, religious, and/or charitable organizations _____
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Work Experience (provide dates of employment) _____
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Award and Honors _____
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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 March 30, 2021. 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 _____