

Holston Methodist Federal Credit Union

2010 SmartStart Scholarship





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The Awards

Two (2) students will be awarded \$500.00 scholarships at their accredited educational institution.

Eligibility

The applicant must be a member of Holston Methodist Federal Credit Union (HMFCU) in good standing, a Youth Plus or Vantage Club account holder, and must be enrolled as a high school senior at the time of application. Scholarship funds must be used at an accredited educational institution by January 31, 2011 for tuition or textbooks only. Employees of HMFCU, Directors, Volunteers, and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.

Application Process

1. Eligible members may request a scholarship application packet:

- * online at www.hmfcu.org
- * by calling Marketing Dept at (865)558-3117 or (800)782-9257
- * via email to marketing@hmfcu.org
- * in person at HMFCU branch

2. Application deadline is Friday, April 30th, 2010.

Selection Process

Judging will be based on both, subjective criteria including essays and weighed objective criteria, as well as academic performance, extracurricular and community activities, references and personal goals. Judging will conclude on Friday, May 7th, 2010 and both winners will be notified.



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I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Account # _____
 Address _____
 Telephone # (____) _____ Social Security # _____
 Father's Name _____ Occupation _____
 Mother's Name _____ Occupation _____

Siblings	Age	School/Occupation
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

II. SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School _____ Anticipated Graduation Date _____
 Name of Institution you plan to attend _____
 Major/Course _____ Minor _____
 Year you plan to graduate from college _____
 Have you been accepted? Yes ___ No _____

High School Academic Information

Class Rank # _____ of _____ Cumulative Grade Point Average _____

High School Activities (Include leadership roles)

1. _____	Grades(s) _____
2. _____	Grades(s) _____
3. _____	Grades(s) _____
4. _____	Grades(s) _____
5. _____	Grades(s) _____
6. _____	Grades(s) _____

Awards and Honors



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III. COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES/EMPLOYMENT

IV. CHURCH ACTIVITIES

V. DESCRIBE YOUR SPECIAL INTERESTS/HOBBIES

VI. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Tuition \$_____ Housing/Meals \$_____ Books/Misc. \$_____ Total \$_____

Sources of Income

Employment_____

Loans_____

Scholarships_____

Have you applied for other financial aid? Yes ____ No ____

Explain any unique financial circumstances

VII. DOCUMENTATION

Please attach your most recent transcripts, as well as a letter of recommendation from a school official (i.e. teacher, counselor, advisor, principal, etc).



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VIII. ESSAY QUESTIONS

Each answer must be type written and approximately one page in length. Submit your responses on separate sheets of paper. Be sure to include your name on the essay.

Please answer the following questions: (it is required that you complete both essay questions to be considered for a scholarship)

- 1. What distinguishes Holston Methodist Federal Credit Union from other financial institutions?** (i.e. ownership, structure, personal experience)
- 2. What are your career goals and how do you plan to achieve them? What has influenced your career decisions?**

Application Verification - For Credit Union Use Only

I hereby certify that the applicant is a member of HMFCU in good standing, and is a Youth Plus or Vantage Club account holder.

HMFCU Official _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Application Verification - For Guidance Counselor Use Only

I hereby certify that the application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Guidance Counselor Name _____ Phone # _____

Signature _____ Date _____



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CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

The information below must be completed before the applicant can be considered for a scholarship.

I certify that this information is true, complete and accurate. I authorize the release of this information.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY

Friday, April 30th, 2010

JUDGING TO CONCLUDE BY

Friday, May 7th, 2010

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY

Friday, May 7th, 2010

MAIL APPLICATION TO:

HMFCU
Attn: Marketing
PO Box 52688
Knoxville, TN 37950-2688

If you have any questions, please contact us at 865.558.3117 or email marketing@hmfcu.org.



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CHECKLIST OF REQUIREMENTS

This checklist and all items on the checklist must be submitted by Friday, April 30th, 2010.

1. _____ Scholarship Application Information

This section must be completed by the applicant and signed by a high school guidance counselor and credit union official to verify eligibility.

2. _____ Scholarship Essay Information

Two completed essays must include your name, be typed on separate pieces of paper and approximately 1 page in length.

3. _____ Certification and Release Authorization

This section must be signed by the applicant and parent/guardian and dated.

4. _____ High School Transcript

Official high school transcripts containing straight, not weighted, cumulative numeric grade points as of the end of the 2nd marking period of the 12th grade. If this system is not used by your school, please ask your guidance counselor to provide this format on your transcript.

5. _____ SAT/ACT Transcript

SAT/ACT transcripts must be provided through your guidance office.

6. _____ Separate Letter of Recommendation

Recommendation must be provided from a school official (i.e. teacher, guidance counselor, advisor, principal, etc.)