

# Great River Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program

## **Application Packet**

Thank you for your interest in the Great River Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program. We offer \$500 scholarships to four credit union members, or the children, grandchildren or dependents of credit union members.

Please read the following guidelines carefully before starting the application form and essay. **Applications not following the guidelines will not be considered.**

## **Application Checklist**

Applications must be completed and dropped off, postmarked, or submitted electronically before midnight on by February 1, 2009. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

### **Application**

Complete the application form. You can reproduce this form by computer if you wish. Complete all areas of the form and return it along with your essay.

### **Activities & Achievements Form**

**Essay:** Write a 500-word essay on the topic:

**“All of us learn from our failures as well as successes. What is something you gained from an unsuccessful experience?”**

Guidelines: The 500-word length is a guideline, not an exact count. However, the essay should not exceed one side of one 8 ½ x 11 piece of paper. Essays considerably longer than 500 words will not be considered. Essays should be typed or produced on a computer to allow for clarity and readability. Handwritten essays will not be considered. Spelling and grammar will be considered, and creativity is encouraged. Transcripts and letters of recommendation sent along with the application will not be considered.

## **Eligibility**

To be eligible, you must be an individual pursuing post-high school education in the 2009/2010 school year (fall and spring semester) and be a member of Great River Federal Credit Union. The school you are planning to attend can be a public or private university, college, graduate or law school, or 2 or 4-year community or technical college. All schools must be accredited by the U.S. Department of Education.

Recipients will receive their scholarships after they have completed their first semester of the 2009/2010 school year. Recipients will present GRFCU with their second semester tuition bill. GRFCU will then issue and mail a check to the recipient. Scholarship recipients who attend school for only the fall semester will not receive scholarship money.

### **Selection**

A Selection Committee made up of staff members will select the scholarship recipients. The decision of the Selection Committee is final and not subject to review. All scholarship winners will be notified by Great River Federal Credit Union before spring graduation.

### **Deadline**

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Mail applications to:

***Great River Federal Credit Union  
Scholarship Program  
1532 West St. Germain Street  
St. Cloud, MN 56301***

If you have any questions, please call (320) 252-5393.

*Financial need is not considered in the selection of the scholarship money. Great River Federal Credit Union employees and dependents are not eligible.*