



**2010 Youth
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The Awards

Two, \$1,500 scholarships to be awarded to two (2) students and their accredited educational institution. (\$1,500 awarded to each winner)

Eligibility

The applicant must be a member of Bucks First Federal Credit Union (BFFCU) in good standing, 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 BFFCU, Directors, Volunteers, and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.

Application Process

1. Eligible members may request a scholarship application packet:
 - Online at http://www.bucksfirstfcu.com/yp_scholar.html
 - by calling Hilary Reed at 215.788.5270 ext. 273
 - via email to hreed@bucksfirstfcu.org
 - in person at the Bristol or Warrington branch offices
2. Application deadline is **Friday, April 16, 2010**.

Selection Process

Judging will be based upon both, subjective criteria including essays and weighted objective criteria, as well as academic performance, extracurricular and community activities, references and personal goals. Judging will conclude on Monday, May 3, 2010 and all scholarship winners will be notified by Monday, May 10, 2010.

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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. _____	Grade(s) _____
2. _____	Grade(s) _____
3. _____	Grade(s) _____
4. _____	Grade(s) _____
5. _____	Grade(s) _____

Awards and Honors

III. COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES/EMPLOYMENT

IV. DESCRIBE YOUR SPECIAL INTERESTS/HOBBIES

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V. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Tuition _____ Housing/Meals _____ Books/Misc _____ Total _____

Sources of Income

Employment _____

Loans _____

Scholarships _____

Have you applied for PHEAA aid? Yes _____ No _____

Explain any unique financial circumstances

VI. 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).

VII. ESSAY QUESTIONS

Each answer must be type written and approximately one page in length. Submit your responses on separate pieces 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 scholarship)

1. What distinguishes Bucks First 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 Bucks First FCU member, and is in good standing.

Credit Union Official _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Application Verification - For High School 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 to confirm/verify this application.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY

Friday, April 16, 2010

JUDGING TO CONCLUDE BY

Monday, May 3, 2010

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY

Monday, May 10, 2010

MAIL APPLICATION TO:

Bucks First Federal Credit Union
Attn: Hilary Reed
2104 Bath Road
Bristol, PA 19007

If you have any questions, please contact Hilary Reed at
215.788.5270 ext. 273 or hreed@bucksfirstfcu.org

CHECKLIST OF REQUIREMENTS

*This checklist and all items on this checklist must be submitted by **Friday, April 16, 2010.** Youth Scholarship Opportunity Applicants must submit the completed package to the attention of **Hilary Reed** at **Bucks First Federal Credit Union, 2104 Bath Road, Bristol PA, 19007.***

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 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, advisor, principal, etc.)