



CANDIDATE APPLICATION, AGREEMENT AND OFFICIAL RULES

Financial Plus Credit Union will award one scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 to a candidate from Bendle High School who meets the following eligibility requirements:

1. The applying candidate must be a current Michigan resident.
2. Candidate must be a high school student from Bendle High School graduating in 2025 with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0
3. The candidate must complete the application with a short essay (500 words or less) *Think about how ready you are for a successful money future, do you feel prepared, why or why not? Share one specific thing you wish you had learned about money earlier in life. Talk about how you're going to learn it now and how it can help you do well in the future.*
4. The candidate must submit the application and essay with an official copy of their current transcript and one letter of recommendation from a legal adult other than a relative.
5. Except as provided in the rules, the candidate must be enrolled in an accredited college, trade school or university by July 7, 2025.

Application, essay, letter of recommendation, and transcript (referred to as the "Scholarship Package") must be submitted no later than May 2, 2025 by 5:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time (EST) (see submission instructions below). Scholarship Packages which are incomplete or received after the stated deadline will be disqualified. Providing any information which is fraudulent or misleading will result in automatic disqualification. Scholarship entry period begins March 3, 2025 through May 2, 2025. Limit one scholarship entry per person.

Scholarship Packages may be mailed to the following address post-marked by May 2, 2025, dropped off at any Financial Plus Credit Union Branch Office by 5:00 P.M. EST on May 2, 2025 or uploaded to myfpcu.com/FPCU-Scholarship-Bendle by 5:00 P.M. EST on May 2, 2025.

Financial Plus Credit Union
ATTN: Derek Lewis
P.O. Box 7006
Flint, MI 48507

Designated Scholarship Judges at Financial Plus Credit Union will review all scholarship entries and award the scholarship recipients based on attaining all eligibility requirements and contents of essay. The scholarship recipients will be contacted on May 16, 2025 by 5:00 P.M. EST by phone from Financial Plus Credit Union. All winners will be announced via social media. The funds for the scholarship will be paid directly to the educational institution.

Any scholarships unclaimed by July 21, 2025 will be forfeited. The designated Scholarship Judges will select a runner-up during the original review of the scholarship entries. The forfeited scholarship will then be awarded to the runner-up recipient, who will be notified by phone contact from Financial Plus Credit Union by 5:00 P.M. on July 28, 2025.

Members of Official Family of Financial Plus Credit Union and their immediate family members, including but not limited to designated scholarship judges, employees of Financial Plus Credit Union, and immediate families of such judges and employees are not eligible to win. Financial Plus Credit Union does not discriminate on the basis of age, gender, familial status, marital status, race, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, height, weight, or disability. All application information will be kept strictly confidential.

For colleges and universities which are not accredited, additional documentation may be required for proof of authenticity and legitimacy prior to awarding the scholarship.

By signing this agreement, I have read and fully agree to the terms stated above.

Candidate's Signature: _____ Date: _____

If candidate is under 18 years of age, signature of parent to guardian is required:

Parent's or Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name of Candidate: _____ Date of Birth: _____

If candidate is under 18 years of age, include parent or guardian's name:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____ Secondary Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR 2025 GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT

High School Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Grade Point Average: _____ Special Awards/Honors: _____

Accepted College, Trade School or University Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date Accepted: _____ First Semester Attending: _____

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE FINANCIAL PLUS CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP?

Check all that apply:

- Email
- Social Media
- Financial Plus Employee
- Flyer
- Friend or Family
- School
- Other

AUTHORIZATION OF PHOTOGRAPHY/COMMERCIAL RELEASE FORM

I, _____ (print full name) hereby authorize Financial Plus Credit Union to use my photograph(s), testimonial(s), and any film appearance(s) to promote the credit union in any/all delivery channels as it deems necessary.

If at any time I want to terminate my authorization, I will notify the Credit Union and it will have a minimum of 120 days to comply. The Credit Union will not use the photograph(s) or testimonial(s) in any new campaigns, promotions, radio spots, commercials, etc. on a go forward basis after the cancellation is submitted. Financial Plus Credit Union need not cancel, reprint, or modify any existing marketing material prior to the termination date.

By signing this form, I fully agree to terms stated above. The agreement will automatically elapse after one-year. I acknowledge and agree that no compensation will be received for the usage of my photography, testimonials, appearances, etc.

Student's signature: _____ Date: _____

If candidate is under 18 years of age, signature of parent or guardian is required:

Parent's signature: _____ Date: _____