



# Great Lakes First Federal Credit Union

## ACADEMIC AND TRADE SCHOLARSHIP PACKET

2025-2026 School Year

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Great Lakes First Federal Credit Union is offering educational scholarships for the 2025-2026 school year. Four (4) \$500 scholarships will be awarded and the funds will be sent to each awarded student/school.

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### ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must meet ALL of the following criteria:

1. Student must be a member in good standing of Great Lakes First Federal Credit Union. *Note:* You must be a primary member or a dependent of a member for at least two years.
  2. Student must be enrolled, or will be enrolled as a full-time student, in an accredited college, university, or trade/vocational school.
  3. Student must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.00.
  4. Student must attend college, university, or trade school during the school year listed on the scholarship application.
  5. Applicants must submit an essay on the following topic: *What's the best piece of financial advice you have received? Who was it from? How have you implemented it in your life?*
  6. Essays are to be limited to 300 words, should be double spaced, and are not to exceed one page in length.
  7. Students who have previously received a Great Lakes First Federal Credit Union scholarship *may* reapply.
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### APPLICATION

1. Must be received by April 15, 2025
  2. Must be filled out completely.
  3. Must be typed or printed neatly in blue or black ink.
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### SELECTION

Applications will be reviewed by the Great Lakes First Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee.

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### PAYMENT

Scholarship Awards will be given after APRIL 15th, 2025.

Each *Academic* award will be paid directly to the college, university, or trade school of choice, credited in the recipient's name. One half of the scholarship will be distributed per semester. Second semester disbursement requires proof of full time enrollment and GPA of 2.00 or better from school.

Each *Trade* award will be credited in the recipient's name, or awarded to the recipient to purchase supplies/other educational materials needed.

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### CANCELLATION

Failure to maintain your status at school (including termination from school or dropping out of school) will result in the cancellation of the award and any remaining funds will be returned to the credit union. In some cases, the funds will be redistributed to an alternate applicant.

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### QUESTIONS?

Please contact the Credit Union at (906) 786-4623.

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## PERSONAL DATA

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Acct #

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA (4.0 Scale) \_\_\_\_\_

### Mark Appropriate Box

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Graduating High School Senior | <input type="checkbox"/> Name of High School _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing College Student    | <input type="checkbox"/> Name of College _____     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                         |  |

## SCHOLARSHIP USE

What area of study will the scholarship be used for?

Are you currently enrolled in a post-secondary school?    Yes    No

Name of post-secondary school you plan to attend.

What will your class status be?    Freshman    Sophomore    Junior    Senior    Graduate/Ph.D    Voc. Tech/Trade School

## EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

*Other Post-Secondary Schooling:*

School \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_ Dates \_\_\_\_\_

***Please include a copy of your academic transcripts for your most recent 2 years of schooling.***

Proof of enrollment in an accredited college, university, or trade school must accompany application.

## EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND

Current Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list below any community service or school activities in which you are currently active or have been active during the past three years.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates (From) \_\_\_\_\_ (To) \_\_\_\_\_

Service Provided: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Hours of Service Given: \_\_\_\_\_

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### SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates (From) \_\_\_\_\_ (To) \_\_\_\_\_

Awards or Accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Awards or Accomplishments: \_\_\_\_\_

### LEADERSHIP ROLES

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates (From) \_\_\_\_\_ (To) \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibilities:  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Responsibilities:  
\_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY TOPIC:** *"What's the best piece of financial advice you have received? Who was it from? How have you implemented it in your life?"*

**ESSAY MUST BE LIMITED TO 300 WORDS, DOUBLE SPACED AND NO LONGER THAN ONE PAGE IN LENGTH.**

Before submitting application, please be sure to review the *Application Checklist*. Applications will be disqualified if not complete.

*I affirm that the confidential information provided in the application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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APPLICATION CHECKLIST 2025-2026 School Year

**Please put your scholarship application together in the order below:**

**COMPLETED APPLICATION**

- \* **Do not leave questions blank.** If your answer to a question is “no”, “none”, or “not applicable” please state as such.
- \* Please type your entry or print legibly in blue or black ink.

**ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPT**

- \* Transcripts must cover your **MOST RECENT TWO YEARS** of schooling. If submitting unofficial transcripts, they must be clear and unaltered. Records should be complete through the last grading period.

**PROOF OF ENROLLMENT**

- \* Proof of full time enrollment in an accredited college, university, or trade school must accompany application. A letter from the Registrar’s Office stating that student is enrolled full-time or a copy of class schedule will be accepted.

**COMPLETED ESSAY**

- \* Essay outlining designated topic. Essay should be no longer than 300 words, be double spaced, and should not exceed one page in length.

**ADDITIONAL COPY**

- \* Make an additional copy of all items in your scholarship application for your **own** records.
- \* **Detach this page** before submitting application.
- \* Applications must be complete with all requested information attached at time of submission.
- \* Transcripts **may not** be sent or faxed separately from application.
- \* Mailed applications must be received by **April 15th, 2025**. Send to:

**Scholarship Committee**  
Great Lakes First Federal Credit Union  
2110 3rd Avenue North  
Escanaba, MI 49829

**NOTE: If your scholarship application is incomplete and/or not received by the deadline, it will be disqualified.**