



College Scholarship Program

Deadline May 1, 2005

GUIDELINES

We are pleased to announce our fourth annual college scholarship essay contest for active AFCU Members. This program is administered and funded by American First Credit Union.

Awards

Five \$1,000 awards will be presented in June 2005. Winners will be announced in the July 2005 newsletter and on our web site.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicant must be a Member-in-good-standing of American First Credit Union *with his/her own account*. This competition is open to high school seniors and those of any age who are attending or planning to attend a college, university or technical trade school. AFCU associates, their families, and former winners are not eligible.

Application Requirements

All applications are due May 1, 2005. Applications become the property of American First Credit Union and will not be returned. Incomplete or late submissions will not be considered. The application must include all of the following:

1. Completed application form
2. Essay: *"What is your planned course of study, your career aspirations and your personal goal?"* (300-500 words)
3. Cumulative 2.5 GPA – verified by copy of student transcript
4. Letter of recommendation from teacher, counselor, employer or community leader

Mail to American First Credit Union, Attn. Scholarship Committee, 700 N. Harbor Blvd., La Habra, CA 90631 or bring to any branch.

Judging

Five winners will be chosen based on academic achievement and potential, career goals, character, leadership, community involvement and social awareness.

Additional scholarship application packets and new Member applications are available at each branch and on our web site at www.amerfirst.org or you may call 800/ 290-1112.

American First serves those who live work or worship in Orange County, Corona and Chino Hills, as well as employees and family members of our sponsor groups. For a complete listing of companies we serve, please refer to our web site at www.amerfirst.org. To join AFCU, a non-refundable \$5 lifetime membership fee applies.

American First Credit Union 2005 College Scholarship Application

Deadline is May 1, 2005. Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Please type or print legibly and return (1) completed application, (2) essay, (3) copy of recent transcript, and (4) a letter of recommendation to American First Credit Union, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, 700 N. Harbor Blvd., La Habra, CA 90631. See guidelines for eligibility requirements. For further information, call 800/ 290-1112.

General Information

Student Name _____ AFCU Account No. _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Phone (_____) _____ Email address _____

Birth Date _____ Soc. Security No. _____

Student Status

Current Grade Level: High School Senior Undergraduate/Graduate Student

Name of current school _____

School Address _____

College you plan to attend _____

Employment History

List employment or volunteer experience beginning with your present position.

Employer	Dates Employed	Position
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

School and Community Activities and Awards

List school, community and athletic organizations in which you have participated, including any awards or offices held.

Essay (300 - 500 words) On a separate sheet of paper, please respond to the following question.

What is your planned course of study, career aspiration and personal goal?

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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

(from Teacher, Counselor, Employer or Community Leader)

Name of Applicant _____

The above-named student is applying for a college scholarship from American First Credit Union. You have been asked for a letter of recommendation to accompany his/her application. If you prefer, this form may be used in place of a formal letter. Please return this form (or formal letter) to the applicant so that it may be submitted with the application package. If you have any questions, please call American First at 800/ 290-1112. Thank you.

Your name _____ Phone _____

Relationship to applicant _____ How long have you known applicant ? _____

Please share your impressions regarding this applicant in the following areas:

1. Academic and vocational potential:

2. Special achievements:

3. Community involvement/social awareness:

4. Characteristics such as responsibility, reliability, integrity and leadership abilities:

Additional comments:

Signature _____ Position/Title _____ Date _____

Organization/company name _____