



## Educational Scholarship

(2009 Application)

As part of its continuing commitment to higher education, East River Federal Credit Union is offering 4 - \$500 Scholarships to its membership.

### Awards:

- 4 - \$500.00 Scholarships
  - The four scholarships will be awarded to:
    - 1 – Madison High School graduating senior
    - 3 – Graduating seniors or currently enrolled full-time college, university, or vocational students.

### Qualifications:

- The scholarships are open to high school seniors or currently enrolled full-time college, university, or vocational students, who are applying for or have been accepted for admission to an accredited college, university, or vocational school.
- Applicant must have a minimum overall grade point average of 2.0 or above.
- Scholarship applicant must be a current member (for at least one year), in good standing, of East River Federal Credit Union.

### Requirements:

- Completed scholarship application.
- Typed essay (500 words or less). College graduates are often faced with thousands of dollars in student loans and major credit card debt upon graduation from college. "How do you plan to prepare yourself for the financial road ahead? In what ways could your credit union help you prepare?"
- Leadership/Volunteerism/Extracurricular Activities – Please list volunteer/community service and any extracurricular/school activities you have participated in, and/or jobs you have had including the dates of those activities. List offices held and depth of involvement. (***Please list on a separate sheet of paper.***)
- Two letters of reference from a teacher, counselor, employer, or community leader.
- College acceptance letter or proof of enrollment at a college, university, or vocational school (e.g. bill, schedule). If you have not yet received a letter of acceptance, obtain a letter from your counselor stating the name of the college, university, or vocational school and the date your application for admission was mailed.
- A recent photo for use in East River FCU promotional materials.

### Judging Criteria

Scholarship selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Content
- Merit
- Creativity

### Special Requirements:

- Applicants must submit the application with all supporting documents attached by the announced deadline date. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Applications must be postmarked no later than **March 2, 2009**. Applications that are postmarked after the announced deadline will not be considered.

### **Please mail applications and all supporting documents to:**

East River Federal Credit Union  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
PO Box 31  
Madison, SD 57042

If you have any questions about the scholarship program contact Gwen Thomson at (800) 667-6039 or (605) 256-8145. Award winners will be notified the first week in May.

*(All submitted applications become the property of East River Federal Credit Union and will not be returned.)*



## EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

*Please complete the form below. Attach extra sheets if necessary.  
Only completed applications will be considered.*

Personal Information:			
Name:		Home Phone:	
Social Security Number:		College Phone:	
Permanent Address: (Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Parent or Guardian Name:			
Scholastic Information:			
High school name and address from which you graduated or will graduate this spring:			
Phone #:	Graduation Date:		
Extracurricular Activities:			
High school achievements or honors:			
School name and address you will be attending in the fall of the year:			
What will your class status be in the fall of the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior			
Major course of study:		Minors:	
Career plans after school:			
Current (college) address, (Street) if applicable:	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
Are you a United States citizen? Yes    No			
<b>**I authorize East River FCU to use my name and photograph in Credit Union publications.**</b>			
Student Signature:		Date:	