



2024 Route 31 Credit Union Scholarships

Awards:

Four \$500 scholarships will be awarded each year. Awards are one-time only and are not renewable. Scholarship checks will be made payable to the attending college, university, or vocational school. Route 31 Credit Union reserves the right to modify or discontinue this program at any time.

Eligibility:

- Applicant or applicant's parent/guardian must be a member in good standing at Route 31 Credit Union for at least 1 year prior to applying for scholarship.
- Applicant must be a high school senior, or graduate accepted by or attending an accredited post-secondary educational institution.
- Minimum grade point average of 2.50 or higher based on a 4.0 scale.
- *Employees and Board Members of Route 31 Credit Union and their immediate family members are not eligible to receive the scholarships.*

Selection of Recipients:

Scholarship recipients will be selected by an impartial committee appointed by the Route 31 Board of Directors. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, and work experience.

All applicant information will be kept strictly confidential and will be used only for the purpose of choosing scholarship recipients. Applicants will be notified of the committee's decision no later than **April 26th**.

Requirements to Apply:

- Applicant must **apply by March 8th** of the current school year by submitting the following:
 - Completed application (including signed media release)
 - Essay (200-300 word typed essay on **one** of the following topics):
 - The importance of a credit union and what it means to you.
 - What are your educational and career goals?
 - How can the credit union help you and others with financial education?
- Applications that are submitted must be complete and include all required documents to be considered for award selection.
- Please mail or drop off completed application and essay by **March 8th** to:

Route 31 Credit Union
Attention: Scholarship Committee
715 Terrace Street, Suite 101
Muskegon, MI 49440