



2012  
*Scholarship Program  
Packet*



*Deadline: May 11, 2012*

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**Application must be postmarked no later than Friday, May 11, 2012.**



## *Thank you for your interest in Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union's Scholarship Program.*

*As a credit union that incorporates over 35 school districts in its field of membership we certainly value the importance of education and as a not-for-profit financial cooperative the importance of giving back to our members. In keeping with our philosophy of "People Helping People," and our commitment to our future leaders of tomorrow, we are very pleased to once again offer an Annual Scholarship Program to assist our young members in their pursuit of higher education.*

### *Award:*

*Two (2) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to two (2) deserving graduating High School Seniors for their accredited educational institution. (\$1,000 will be awarded to each winner.)*

### *Eligibility:*

- *Applicant must be a primary member (not just a joint member on someone else's account) of Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union. If you are not a member, please visit our website at [www.hudsonriverteachers.org](http://www.hudsonriverteachers.org) to download an application for membership.*
- *Applicant must be a graduating high school senior.*
- *Applicant must be accepted as a full-time student at an accredited (2) or (4) year college or university.*
- *Applicant cannot be related to a Hudson River Teachers FCU employee, Board member or Supervisory Committee member.*

### *Selection Process:*

*Judging will be based upon subjective criteria including financial need, academic achievement, extra-curricular activities, community service, written essay and personal goals.*

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*Application Process:*

*Eligible members may submit a scholarship application packet and requirements to:*

*Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union  
3563 Mohegan Avenue  
Mohegan Lake, N.Y. 10547  
Attn: Scholarship Selection Committee*

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*Notification:*

*Scholarship recipients will be notified by telephone or mail on or before June 15, 2012. The Selection Committee's decisions are final.*

*Payment:*

*The scholarship will be paid directly to the Financial Aid Department of the college or university where the recipient will be attending in the fall.*



## **2012 Scholarship Program – Checklist of Requirements**

This checklist and all items on this checklist must be submitted and postmarked no later than May 11, 2012. Scholarship Program applicants must submit the completed package to:

*Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union  
3563 Mohegan Avenue, Mohegan Lake, N.Y. 10547  
Attn: Scholarship Selection Committee*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Application Information

This section must be completed by the applicant.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Verification.

This section must be signed by a High School Guidance Counselor and Credit Union official to verify eligibility.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Official High School Transcript

4. \_\_\_\_\_ SAT/ACT Transcript

5. \_\_\_\_\_ Written Essay

Please write a short essay on your career plans, qualifications and why you should be selected to receive this award.

6. \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Reference

This section must be completed and signed by one of the applicant's High School instructors.

7. \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Acceptance from college or university.

8. \_\_\_\_\_ Certification and Release Authorization

This section must be signed and dated by both applicant and parent/guardian.



**2012 Scholarship Program – Applicant Information**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Member Number \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

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*Name of College you plan to attend:*

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*Please share a brief history of your high school accomplishments, honors and awards:*

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*Curricular and Extracurricular Activities:*

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*Community Service Activities:*

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*Employment:*

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*Leadership Positions Held:*

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*Student Essay/Personal Statement*

Please write a short essay about yourself including your career plans, your qualifications and why you should be selected to receive a Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union scholarship. The essay must be typed and approximately 500 words in length. Please make sure to include your name on your essay and enclose with this application.



## **Applicant Verification**

*For High School Guidance Counselors Only:*

I hereby certify that the application is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Guidance Counselor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*For Credit Union Use Only:*

I hereby certify that the following applicant is a Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union member in good standing.

Credit Union Official's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Teacher Reference

*Student's Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

The above named student is applying for a Scholarship through the Hudson River Teachers Federal Credit Union. Each applicant must submit a recommendation from a teacher. Your evaluation of this applicant will be helpful to the Selection Committee in their decision making process. All information is held in strict confidence. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. If more space is needed, please attach an additional sheet of paper.

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Teacher's Evaluation of Student:**

Circle the appropriate number: 4 = outstanding 3 = Above Average 2 = Average 1 = Below Average

Work Habits	4	3	2	1
Academic Performance	4	3	2	1
Character	4	3	2	1
Motivation	4	3	2	1
Initiative	4	3	2	1
Attitude	4	3	2	1
Participation	4	3	2	1
Overall Rating	4	3	2	1

Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Teacher's Signature* \_\_\_\_\_ *Date* \_\_\_\_\_

**Once you have completed your evaluation, please enclose the form in a sealed envelope and return to the student you have evaluated so that it may be included in their scholarship application submission package**



## **Certification and Release Authorization**

I certify that all information I have provided is true, complete and accurate. I authorize release of this information to confirm/verify this application. In addition, I give permission to the Scholarship Selection Committee to duplicate my application packet for processing and evaluation purposes. If selected to receive a scholarship, I give my permission for publicity release.

*Students Signature* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date* \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

*Parent/Guardian Signature* \_\_\_\_\_

*Date* \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_