



## Application for Academic Scholarship

(applicant please fill out completely)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a headshot photo with application**

Recent Grade Point Average from high school or college, university or technical school you have attended or are currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

School that you are presently attending or most recently attended: \_\_\_\_\_

College, University or Technical Institute you are planning to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your course of study/major? \_\_\_\_\_

### Thank a Teacher

Nominate a current or past teacher/educator you believe has made the biggest impact on your life and why:

Please submit the completed application form and headshot to be received on or before January 19, 2024 to:

Dakotaland Federal Credit Union  
**Scholarship Committee**  
2297 Kansas Ave. SE, Suite 1  
Huron, SD 57350



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**Financial Goals Essay:** (worth 30% of your application score - please answer in 500 words or less)

If you could give \$1000.00 to any organization in your community, who would you give it to and why?

### Accomplishments | Honors | Awards

Please list any/all of your honors or awards and the year in which you received them. (If more room is needed, please attach an extra sheet.)

1. _____	Date: _____
2. _____	Date: _____
3. _____	Date: _____
4. _____	Date: _____

### Extracurricular Activities | Organizations:

Please list the extracurricular activities/organizations you have participated in, including the length of involvement, offices held and dates of participation. (If more room is needed, please attach an extra sheet.)

Activity	Length of Involvement	Position Held	Date
1. _____			
2. _____			
3. _____			
4. _____			
5. _____			
6. _____			

### Volunteer Work | Job Experience

Please list the volunteer/community service work or job experience you have participated in including the dates worked. Also, please indicate the type of experience, activism/work: (If more room is needed, please attach an extra sheet.)

Type of Experience	Volunteer Work or Job	Date
1. _____		
2. _____		
3. _____		
4. _____		
5. _____		



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## Scholarship Academic Guidelines

Last Update: November 2, 2023

- 10 – \$1,000 Scholarships Awarded
- Scholarship is non-renewable
- A scorecard system will be utilized to evaluate entries
- Application criteria to include:
  1. essay on financial goals of 500 words or less
  2. volunteer efforts
  3. academic achievement
  4. work or job experience
  5. extra curricular activities
  6. overall presentation of application
- \$200 gift to be awarded by the scholarship winners to their teacher nominee to use in their classroom for projects or supplies.
- Scholarship applications are released on November 20, 2023 and available online at [www.DakotalandFCU.com](http://www.DakotalandFCU.com)
- Scholarship entries are due by January 19, 2024
- Scholarships are judged and winners notified by February 16, 2024

### Scholarship Program Policy

Last update: November 2, 2023

- Accepting one (1) entry per eligible member
- Cannot be a past winner of this scholarship
- Employees or board members from Dakotaland Branch locations will participate on the scholarship selection committee for a minimum of seven members with a majority vote rule.
- Awarded to a current Dakotaland Federal Credit Union Member in good standing
- Must have at least (6) months of Credit Union membership at Dakotaland Federal Credit Union as of the application closing date
- Monies to be used toward continued secondary education expenses at an accredited university, college or technical institution for the 2024–2025 school year
- In the event of a tie, the lowest judged score will be eliminated until there is one winner amongst those with the same score.
- Scholarships are available to full-time students of all ages
- A media release will be required to include press releases, web site, Facebook, lobby digitals, annual meeting, etc.
- The scholarship check will be made payable jointly to the recipient and the designated school

Selections will be made without regard to color, race, credit, national origin or sex.