

# CAROLINA

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## FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

### 2026 Jack Jenkins and Don Starling Scholarship Application

Thank you for your interest in Carolina Federal Credit Union's scholarship program. Please read this page carefully. We ask that you sign your application stating that you have read and understood this information. If you have any questions, please contact Carolina Federal Credit Union. To be considered, your application must be signed.

#### Criteria

Any local high school senior **or** family member of a Carolina Federal Credit Union member, who is going into any area of study at a four-year or technical/community college may apply for a **\$2,000 scholarship**.

#### Eligibility Policy

- Selection criteria may include but are not limited to GPA, financial need, extra-curricular activities, community involvement, career goals, and writing skills.
- Completed applications and attachments must be received at the Carolina Federal Credit Union office by the close of business, **Monday, March 30th, 2026**.
- Please neatly print or type applications and attachments.
- All information given on the application must be accurate.
- Carolina Federal Credit Union will recognize scholarship winners at our Annual Meeting on Wednesday, May 20th, 2026.
- All scholarship applicants will receive notification via mail.
- To receive the proceeds, the applicant must be a full-time student and must submit their transcript, including their junior year and the first semester of their senior year.
- Decisions of the Carolina Federal Credit Union Education Committee are final.

#### Helpful Hints for completing the Carolina Federal Credit Union Scholarship Application

1. Read through all instructions before filling out any forms.
2. Answer all questions, and please do not use acronyms. For example, use Future Farmers of America instead of FFA.
3. Have someone proofread your application.
4. Include your transcript. If your school is sending your transcript, verify that they were submitted.
5. Return all completed forms, transcripts, and teacher references to Carolina Federal Credit Union by the end of the business day (5:00 p.m.) on **Monday, March 30th, 2026**. Applications may be mailed to: Carolina Federal Credit Union, 1200 E. Church Street, Cherryville, NC 28021. Attention: Scholarship Committee

Are you or a parent/guardian a member of Carolina Federal Credit Union?

- ☐ Yes
  - If yes, please name the member, parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ No

**All information on these forms will be kept strictly confidential.**



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parents/Guardians Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

School you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_ Are you accepted yet? \_\_\_\_\_

Intended major: \_\_\_\_\_

Unweighted Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ Guidance Counselor Verification: \_\_\_\_\_

Name

Date

Are you presently working? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, where, what do you do and how many hours per week?

**Please attach your high school transcript. Your transcript should include your junior year and the first semester of your Senior year. If possible, include your second-semester Senior class schedule.**

**Please answer the following questions in essay format on a separate sheet(s) of paper:**

1. Describe your participation in school activities (clubs, sports, etc.), including the number of years you have been involved in each. Highlight any leadership roles you have held and how they have shaped your personal growth.
2. Carolina Federal Credit Union values community involvement. Tell us how you are involved in your community, and the effect it has had on you and the community.
3. What has inspired your educational goals, and how are you planning to use your degree? If undecided, please discuss the majors you plan to explore, and why.
4. How can Carolina Federal Credit Union support you and your generation in achieving financial stability and success?

#### **References:**

List two teachers who are willing to evaluate you for a scholarship. Please have the teachers complete the enclosed evaluation form and attach them to this application.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Financial Information**

Total household income for 2024:

\_\_\_ Under \$15,000    \_\_\_ \$15,001-\$30,000    \_\_\_ \$30,001- \$40,000    \_\_\_ \$40,001-\$50,000  
\_\_\_ \$50,001-\$60,000    \_\_\_ \$60,001-\$70,000    \_\_\_ \$70,001-\$80,000    \_\_\_ over \$80,000

I have read the eligibility requirements and understand their meaning. Also, I am and will be in good standing with my High School Code of Ethics Policy.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Teacher's Subject Area: \_\_\_\_\_

Total semesters student has been enrolled in your classes (including current semester):

\_\_\_\_\_

**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
Attendance	4	3	2	1
Motivation	4	3	2	1
Initiative	4	3	2	1
Attitude	4	3	2	1
Participation	4	3	2	1

Additional Comments:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Signature

Date

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