



Lehigh Valley Educators Credit Union Scholarship Program



The Awards

Ten \$1,000 scholarship certificates will be awarded at the LVECU Annual Meeting on Saturday, March 17, 2018.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- be a member of LVECU in good standing for 12 months (custodial accounts and joint owners do not qualify)
- be enrolled **full-time** for the upcoming semester as a student of an undergraduate program, or a minimum two-year course of study at a community college, trade school, or technical school
- 2017 winners not eligible for 2018 scholarships

Employees of LVECU, board members, volunteers, and their immediate family members are not eligible.

Application Process

1. Eligible members must complete this application packet and return all required information to either branch or mail to:

Lehigh Valley Educators Credit Union
3720 Hamilton Blvd
Allentown, PA 18103
Attn: Scholarship Committee

2. All applications must be submitted and postmarked by January 31, 2018. No late submissions will be accepted.

Selection Process

The scholarship winners will be selected by the LVECU Scholarship Committee. The committee will consist of board members and staff members. Winners will be notified by the end of February and will be invited to the LVECU Annual Meeting to accept their award. **Scholarship money will be deposited into the winners' savings account following the completion of the fall 2018 semester and submission of grades, provided they meet the required 2.75 GPA.**

The applications will be judged on the following:

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| Essay | 50% |
| Academic Merit (Minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75%) | 25% |
| Extracurricular Activities/Community Service | <u>25%</u> |
| Total | 100% |

2018 LVECU Scholarship Program – Requirements Check List

This checklist and all items on this checklist must be submitted and postmarked by January 31, 2018. Applications may be returned to either branch or mailed to:

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Applications will not be considered unless all items are returned complete and legible. If something is omitted, we will not contact the applicant and the scholarship application will be considered invalid. Please verify all information before submitting.

1. _____ Scholarship applicant information
2. _____ Essay entry

Essay must be 500 words or less and typed. You may choose from one of the following:

Essay 1: College graduates face mortgage-sized student loans and several thousand dollars of credit card debt upon graduation from college. How do you plan to prepare yourself for the financial road ahead?

Essay 2: What one class, teacher, book or experience has changed the way you think? How?

3. _____ Transcript from last completed semester – minimum GPA 2.75
(Photocopies will be accepted)
4. _____ Letter of recommendation (Must be from a non-relative)
5. _____ Proof of full-time enrollment: a copy of your bill, a letter of acceptance, or a course schedule. If not available at time of application, recipients may submit by 5/31/18.
6. _____ Signed Certification and Release
7. _____ Photo of applicant suitable for publication in newsletter if selected as a recipient. (**Wallet size senior portrait/head shot preferable-will NOT be returned**).

2018 LVECU Scholarship Application

Date of Application: _____

Personal Information

Name: _____

LVECU Account #: XXX __ __

Date of Birth: _____

Home Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone#: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Educational Information

High School Name: _____

City/State: _____

Telephone: _____

Year of Graduation: _____

GPA, ACT or SAT Score (Please specify): _____

College/University/School you plan to attend: _____

2017-2018 School Year Academic Status (HS-Sr., College FR, SO, JR): _____

Major: _____

Minor: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

Please list any Honors/Awards you have received and the dates:

Extracurricular Activities (including offices, positions, sports, clubs, etc.):

| Activity/ Organization | Dates Involved | Position(s) Held | Comments |
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PARENTAL CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

If the applicant is under 18 years of age, this application must also be signed by the student's parent or guardian for the application to be considered.

I, _____ (Print student's name), certify that the information in the application is true, complete, and accurate. I authorize the release of this information to confirm and/or verify this application.

In the event I should receive a scholarship from Lehigh Valley Educators Credit Union, I will make every effort to attend the Annual Meeting, Saturday, March XX, 2018 at 10:00 am to receive my award, and hereby give permission to LVECU to use my name and/or photo for whatever publicity is considered appropriate.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____