



January 14, 2014

Dear High School Guidance Advisor:

Announcing AODFCU's Scholarship Program!

AOD Federal Credit Union will award up to fifteen scholarships each year to high school graduating seniors who are AOD Federal Credit Union members. The scholarship will be paid at the beginning of the student's freshman year and will be issued directly to the college, university, community college or technical/vocational school of the student's choice. **Only graduating high school seniors who have been AOD Federal Credit Union members for at least one year are eligible to submit an application.** The scholarship recipients will be announced in April with the scholarship certificate to be presented before graduation exercises in May.

The application, with all requested information and supporting documentation, must be received by AODFCU no later than March 31st of each year. Members may request that an application packet be mailed beginning January 31st of each year. Applications must be submitted by mailing them to:

**AOD Federal Credit Union**  
**Attn: Scholarships**  
**P.O. Box 608**  
**Bynum, AL 36253**

If you need additional information, please feel free to contact me at 256-241-8289 or [mking@aodfcu.com](mailto:mking@aodfcu.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Michelle L. King'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Michelle L. King  
Charitable Contributions Chairperson

Encl: AODFCU Scholarship Application



## **AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP**

### **PURPOSE**

Recognizing that tuition rates continue to rise at a rapid pace, AOD Federal Credit Union decided to establish a scholarship fund to assist members who plan to pursue a college degree or certification from a technical/vocational school.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

AOD Federal Credit Union will award fifteen (15) scholarships to high school graduating seniors who are AOD Federal Credit Union members. The scholarship will be paid at the beginning of the student's freshman year and will be issued directly to the college, university, community college or technical/vocational school of the student's choice. Only graduating high school seniors who have been AOD Federal Credit Union members for at least one year are eligible to submit an application. The scholarship recipients will be announced in May with the scholarship certificate to be presented before graduation exercises in May. The deadline for all applications to be received by AOD Federal Credit Union is March 31 of each year. Application packets will be mailed to AOD Federal Credit Union members upon their request beginning January 31 of each year. Winners will be notified by mail in April. All Scholarship funds awarded must be applied by September 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year or they will be forfeited, with exception of hardship cases as determined by the Contributions Committee.

### **EVALUATION PROCEDURE**

Applications will be submitted by mailing them to AOD Federal Credit Union, Attn: Scholarships, P.O. Box 608, Bynum, AL 36253. The application must be complete with all requested information and supporting documentation and must be received by AODFCU no later than March 31 of each year.

The Charitable Contributions Committee at AOD Federal Credit Union will review each application and assign a score based on the five categories of judging.



## JUDGING

- |            |                                 |
|------------|---------------------------------|
| I. (20%)   | ACT or SAT Composite Scores     |
| II. (20%)  | High School Grade Point Average |
| III. (20%) | Financial Need                  |
| IV. (20%)  | Community Service/Involvement   |
| V. (20%)   | Essay Response                  |

The final selections will be determined after evaluating applications based on categories above.



## AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Only graduating high school seniors who have been AOD Federal Credit Union members for at least one year are eligible to submit an application for this scholarship. The money awarded will be paid at the beginning of the student's freshman year and is issued directly to the college, university, community college, or technical/vocational school of the student's choice. The check will be mailed to the school's financial aid office and will be made payable to the student AND college, university, community college, or technical/vocational school attending.

By signing below, I certify that I have read the rules governing this scholarship and agree to abide by them.

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Signature of student

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Signature of parent or guardian

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Signature of parent or guardian

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AOD Federal Credit Union Member Number



**AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION MEMBER NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDING \_\_\_\_\_

COLLEGE or TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE

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**AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Part I. ACT OR SAT COMPOSITE SCORES

ACT SCORE (Please attach copy.) \_\_\_\_\_

SAT SCORE (Please attach copy.) \_\_\_\_\_

Part II. HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE

GRADE POINT AVERAGE \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please attach copy of high school transcript.)

Part III. FINANCIAL NEED

ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME OF PARENTS or LEGAL GUARDIAN FROM  
FORM 1040 (choose one) (PLEASE ATTACH COPY OF MOST RECENT TAX FORM.)

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| _____ Under \$20,000       | _____ \$60,000 to \$69,999 |
| _____ \$20,001 to \$29,999 | _____ \$70,000 to \$79,999 |
| _____ \$30,000 to \$39,999 | _____ \$80,000 to \$89,999 |
| _____ \$40,000 to \$49,999 | _____ \$90,000 to \$99,999 |
| _____ \$50,000 to \$59,999 | _____ \$100,000 or over    |



**AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Part IV. COMMUNITY SERVICE/INVOLVEMENT

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES (School and community)

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## AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Part V. ESSAY RESPONSE

PLEASE WRITE AN ESSAY TO DESCRIBE "HOW AOD FEDERAL CREDIT UNION HAS BENEFITED YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW." ALL ESSAYS MUST CONTAIN AT LEAST 250 TO A MAXIMUM OF 500 TYPED (NOT HANDWRITEN) WORDS TO BE CONSIDERED.

(You may submit this essay on an attached sheet.)

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