

# Synced Seniors Scholarship 2015

*I could have never asked for anything quite like this.*

**- Tyler Woodley**

Gadsden State Community College

2014 Scholarship Recipient

Member Since 2012



*We believe there is a success story in all of us.*

## **We are rooted in education and believe**

everyone can achieve success with opportunity. With our good faith in Alabama's contribution to the future, Alabama Teachers Credit Union is once again accepting applications for our annual Synced Seniors Scholarship.

## **Apply beginning January 1, 2015.**

Four (4) \$3000 scholarships will be awarded to deserving high school seniors.

**Submission deadline is April 15, 2015.**

**Winners will be notified April 30, 2015.**

Visit [www.atcu.com/personal/youth-accounts/synced.html](http://www.atcu.com/personal/youth-accounts/synced.html) for an application, helpful requirement checklist and official rules.

## **Mail applications to:**

**Alabama Teachers Credit Union**

Attn: Marketing

P.O. Box 1400

Gadsden, AL 35902

**or apply online at [atcu.com](http://atcu.com)**

The following requirements must be met:

- ☐ ATCU Synced member in good standing\*
- ☐ High school senior with GPA of at least 2.0 or higher
- ☐ Account must be opened for at least six (6) month prior to application\*\*
- ☐ Provide official high school transcript for the most recently completed semester
- ☐ Provide letter of acceptance for full-time enrollment\*\*\* at an accredited college, university or seminary
- ☐ Provide ATCU with one letter of reference from a non-relative
- ☐ Submit a one-page essay describing a challenge you have overcome
- ☐ Complete and submit scholarship application

Alabama Teachers Credit Union will send notice to the winner(s) and a check will be sent to the financial aid office of the college, university, or seminary to be attended by the recipients. Applicants must list family income on application. Preference will be given to applicants with a demonstrated financial need. No funds will be released directly to students. Essays will be judged by a Scholarship Committee to be determined by the credit union. In the event of a tie, GPAs may be used to determine the winners. Scholarship Committee decisions are final. Graduate students, employees, board and committee members of ATCU and their family members are not eligible. Must meet membership requirements. \*Good standing is defined as having a positive account balance and loans paid up-to-date. \*\*Synced Share account opened on or before October 15, 2014. \*\*\*Full-time enrollment is defined as at least 12 credit hours a semester.



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## Seniors Scholarship Rules 2015

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1. To be eligible to receive the scholarship awarded, recipient must be a high school senior with a minimum 2.0 grade point average (*on a 4.0 scale*), be a Synced member in good standing\* of Alabama Teachers Credit Union and accepted at an accredited college, university, or seminary of higher education\*\*\* that awards associate or baccalaureate degrees. Scholarships will not be awarded for graduate school or trade school. Good standing is defined as having a positive account balance and loans paid up-to-date. Account must be opened for at least 6 months prior to application.\*\*
2. Applicants must complete the Scholarship Application and attach a current official high school transcript, one (1) letter of recommendation one-page essay describing a challenge they have overcome, and proof of acceptance at an accredited college, university or seminary. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. Employees, board and committee members and their immediate family members (*spouse, siblings, children, or grandchildren*) are not eligible.
4. Preference will be given to applicants with a demonstrated financial need.
5. Scholarship award payments will be made for the fall semester or quarter immediately following award of the scholarship and cannot be claimed on a later date. No scholarship funds will be released directly to students. ATCU has no control over funds once released.
6. Awards will be made payable to the accredited college, university or seminary of higher education only (*not to any third party, including the scholarship recipient*), as first designated by the award recipient. Once scholarship funds are sent to the college, or university, or seminary designated by the award recipient, Alabama Teachers Credit Union cannot direct those funds to another college, university, or seminary. Award, when combined with other scholarship funds of recipient from other sources, shall not exceed 100% of the cost of tuition, fees, and required textbooks.
7. Award recipient is solely responsible for providing Alabama Teachers Credit Union with appropriate information necessary to process the award and credit the recipient's account at the appropriate financial aid office. Recipients may be required to verify enrollment other information, as directed.
8. If recipient withdraws from enrollment during the course of a term, recipient may be required to reimburse Alabama Teachers Credit Union for unused awards.
9. Awards will only be applied toward courses the student has not yet attended. Awards will not be applied to past due balances.
10. Awards are not assignable or transferable and there shall be no changes or substitutions.
11. Award recipients are fully responsible for all applicable federal, state, and local taxes and fees.
12. This award may affect the amount of other financial aid for which a recipient may qualify, or the award may be reduced or nullified by other educational assistance and aid the recipient receives.
13. All interpretations of these Rules by Alabama Teachers Credit Union shall be final. By participating and redeeming the award, the recipient agrees to these Rules and releases Alabama Teachers Credit Union and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability with respect to the award. The recipient agrees to the use of his/her name, address, and photograph, and/or biographical information for advertising or publicity purposes, without further compensation.

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## Scholarship Application 2015

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Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First MI*

Address \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street*

\_\_\_\_\_ *City State ZIP*

Member Account No:  
(Required for eligibility)

Mother's Name:

Average Yearly Family Income \$:

Phone:

Email:

SSN:

Father's Name:

No. of Family Members:

### EDUCATION

High School:

Years Attended:

School Address:

GPA:

SAT: Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ Math: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Composite: \_\_\_\_\_

Extracurricular Activities:

List any other  
scholarships received:

### DISCLAIMER AND SIGNATURE

*I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

*If requested, I agree to give proof of the information on this application. I understand that the Alabama Teachers Credit Union Scholarship Committee will review all the information provided. If awarded a scholarship, I agree to the use of my name, address, photograph and/or biographical information for advertising or publicity purposes, without further compensation. I agree to the Rules and release Alabama Teachers Credit Union and its directors, officers, employees and agents from any and all liability with respect to the award.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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## Seniors Requirements Checklist 2015

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