

2025 Scholarship Application

The Founder's Scholarship Award of \$2,500
The Maurice Fontaine Sr. Scholarship Award of \$2,500
The Roger Bissonnette Scholarship Award of \$2,500



Maine Family
Federal Credit Union

Experience the Feeling of Family

For Maine Family Federal Credit Union Members
Application Deadline: Friday, March 28, 2025

Scholarship Program

Maine Family Federal Credit Union began its scholarship program to acknowledge the accomplishments of our student members and to support their continued education and training. Each spring we award three (3) scholarships named after The Founders and impactful Past Leaders of Maine Family Federal Credit Union:

- The Founders Scholarship Award for \$2,500
- The Maurice Fontaine Sr. Scholarship Award for \$2,500
- The Roger Bissonnette Scholarship Award for \$2,500

The award winners are announced each April. The scholarship money will be paid directly to the student prior to the start of the second semester to help with any college-related expenses. Prior to payment, we require the scholarship winner to share with us their first-semester grades in order to remain qualified for the scholarship. Anyone attending higher-education at an accredited institution can apply, regardless of if they have applied and/or won in previous years. Maine Family FCU is proud to recognize the achievements of deserving students, of any age or stage of life, in our community.

Eligibility

1. Applicant must be a member of Maine Family Federal Credit Union*.
2. Applicant must be accepted, enrolled or attending a two-year community college, four-year college, university or technical school.
3. Students must begin school within one year of the award.

Requirements

1. Completed application and essay must be received no later than **Friday, March 28, 2025**. Applications may be emailed to marketing@mainefamilyfcu.com, delivered in person or mailed to the Credit Union at 555 Sabattus Street, Lewiston, ME 04240, ATTN: Scholarship Committee. Applications can also be submitted online which will be available on our website at <https://www.mainefamilyfcu.com/maine-family-fcu-scholarship/>
2. Copy of letter of acceptance from the College or University of choice.
3. Three letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors or community leaders.

Selection

Applications will be sent collectively to the Scholarship Committee after the application deadline. Judging is based on information gathered through the application — motivation to continue education, achievements (honors, awards), extracurricular activities, work or volunteer experience, references and the written essay (Transcripts will NOT be reviewed as part of the scholarship application). The essay is judged on content, creativity and clarity. Spelling, grammatical or typographical errors may impact your entry. Scholarship winners will be notified personally by Friday, April 18, 2025. Winners will be asked to submit a photo for publication in our membership newsletter.

Maine Family Federal Credit Union reserves the right to discontinue this scholarship program at any time without notice. Maine Family Federal Credit Union reserves the right not to award any scholarships should there be no qualified applicants.

*If the student is not a member of Maine Family Federal Credit Union, they may join the Credit Union by opening a share account with a minimum balance of \$25.00 prior to submitting an application. To qualify for membership, the student must live, attend school, worship or work within Androscoggin County or have an immediate family member that meets the previously mentioned criteria.

Member's Name _____

Maine Family FCU Account # _____

Email Address _____

Street Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Phone _____ Birth Date _____

Parents'/Guardians' Names (if applicable) _____

High School Attended _____ Graduation Year _____

Name of Guidance Counselor/Advisor (if applicable) _____

College/University/Technical School _____

Street Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Expected Enrollment Date _____

Intended Area of Study _____

1. What are your academic and career aspirations, and how will this scholarship help you achieve them?

2. List any honors and/or awards you have received at school or work:

3. List any extracurricular or community involvement. If you've already graduated, share what you've been doing since high school.

4. List any work or volunteer experience:

5. What makes you an ideal candidate for this scholarship?

5. With your completed application, please submit a one-page (minimum), typed, double-spaced essay with you **discussing an accomplishment or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and new understanding of yourself or others?**

Certification and Release Authorization

I/We certify that this information is complete and accurate. I/We authorize the release of this information to confirm and/ or verify this application. I/We further grant unto Maine Family Federal Credit Union the right to use my name and/or photograph in connection with Maine Family Federal Credit Union promotions, including advertising, related to this scholarship program. This grant is made without claim of any kind, including compensation.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian's Signature

(Only required if applicant is under 18 years old)

Date