



Ted Hitch Scholarship Program

Type of Scholarship

The TED HITCH SCHOLARSHIPS are named in honor of the credit union's past president. Ten nonrenewable \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded annually with \$1,000 distributed each semester beginning with the fall term. All scholarship money will be distributed directly to the school and applied toward tuition, books and equipment, fees, room and board, or other related expenses. If the student's total scholarships cover all of these expenses, the school may apply the funds to the following school year's expenses. Should the student discontinue full-time enrollment after the fall term, the remaining \$1,000 will not be awarded.

Scholarship Eligibility

Either the applicant or the applicant's parents or guardians must have been members of ETFCU for at least one year by the February 1 scholarship application deadline. Use of services provided by ETFCU's subsidiaries (MEMBERS Financial Services, ET OdysseySM, ET ShieldSM, and ET RealtySM) do not qualify as membership in the credit union.

Applications will be accepted from graduating high school seniors planning to attend an accredited institution of higher learning as a full-time undergraduate student for at least the coming year. **Applicants should have a minimum 3.5 GPA (without rounding up) on a 4.0 grading scale or 5.0 on a 6.0 scale at the end of the fall semester of the senior year. Applications that fall below the minimum GPA requirement will not receive consideration and should not be submitted.**

Immediate relatives (children, stepchildren, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, brothers and sisters, and parents) of ETFCU officials, employees, and scholarship committee members are ineligible.

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship committee appointed by the Chairman of the ETFCU Board. Determination of scholarship winners will be based on the applicants' GPA, class ranking, SAT and/or ACT scores, participation in school and community activities, essay, and letters of reference.

If the applicant or his/her parents or legal guardians have caused a financial loss to the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union, that applicant will not be considered. If such a loss occurs after the selection process, the scholarship may be revoked.

Application Requirements

The following materials are required:

1. The application is to be completed by the student, parents, and school official. **(The school section should be completed after the first semester GPA has been determined.)** Applications should be typed or printed in ink.
2. A typed essay no longer than two double-spaced pages must be submitted. The essay may be written on any of the following topics:
 - If you could be any historical figure, who would you be and why?
 - What high school course has been most significant to you as you prepare for college and your future?
 - Describe the kind of person you would like to be ten years from now.
3. Two letters of reference are required. Only one letter may be from an employee at the applicant's school.

The application and related materials should be sent to Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union Main Office at 4401 Theater Drive in Evansville (see mailing instructions in section 4 of the application). When mailing applications, address them to P.O. Box 5129, Evansville, IN 47716-5129. **All materials should be forwarded to the school counselor by January 22 and received – not postmarked – by ETFCU no later than February 1. When February 1 occurs on a weekend, the applications are due at ETFCU no later than the following Monday. Counselors may accept applications after January 22 per their discretion.** Applicants or their parents may contact ETFCU prior to the application deadline to verify that the application and related materials have been received. For verification purposes, contact Nancy Golding at (812) 477-9271 or 1-800-800-9271, Ext. 1107, or by email at ngolding@evv-etfcu.org.

Notification and Recognition of Scholarship Winners

The names of the scholarship recipients will be posted on the ETFCU website at www.etfcu.org/scholarship by March 15. **Only scholarship winners will be notified directly by phone, mail, or email.** Recipients will be recognized at the credit union's annual meeting and in the credit union's newsletter. The names and photographs of scholarship winners may be used by ETFCU for public relations purposes.



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SECTION 1. This section is to be completed by the student.

Student's Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

School Presently Attending: _____

ETFCU Member Number*: _____ Social Security Number: _____

*Use of services provided by ETFCU's subsidiaries do not qualify as credit union membership.

Please list any other scholarships and amounts you have been awarded as of this date. If you are unsure you will accept any of these awards, please explain briefly: _____

You may attach an additional sheet if necessary to complete the information below.

List extracurricular organizations and activities in which you have participated:

Organization or Activity	Number of Years	Awards or Honors

Are you currently employed? _____ If yes, where? _____

If yes, approximately how many hours do you work per week? _____

Why are you working? _____

College or vocational school you plan to attend this fall: _____

Have you applied? _____ If so, have you been accepted? _____

Intended course of study (*if known*): _____

Career goals: _____

References: (Please provide names and addresses of two references and submit their letters of reference with the application. No more than one reference should be from an employee at the applicant's school.)

Name and address: _____

Name and address: _____

Additional information in support of your application: _____

I, _____, agree to the releasing of high school transcripts and requested information to the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee. Furthermore, my name and photograph may be used by ETFCU for public relations purposes.

Student's Signature

Date

SECTION 2. This section is to be completed by the parents/guardians.

Parents' or Guardians' Names: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Mother's Occupation: _____

Father's Occupation: _____

ETFCU Member Number of Parents (if members): _____

Household Demographics

Number of people in household: _____

Number of household members in college (at least half-time) for the coming school year: _____

I, _____, parent/guardian of _____, give permission to release my child's high school transcripts and requested information to the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee. Furthermore, my child's name and photograph may be used by ETFCU for public relations purposes.

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

Date

SECTION 3. This section is to be completed by the applicant's school.

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Student's High School Diploma or College Program: _____

Please list the exact GPA without rounding the score. Applicants who fall below the minimum GPA requirements of 3.50 (without rounding up) on a 4.0 grading scale or 5.0 on a 6.0 scale at the end of the senior year fall semester will not receive consideration and should not submit an application.

Cumulative Un-Weighted GPA: ____ . ____ ____ on a scale of ____ . ____ ____

Cumulative Weighted GPA (if applicable): ____ . ____ ____ on a scale of ____ . ____ ____

Class Rank: ____ out of ____

SAT/ACT Scores:

Note that you may provide test scores from SAT and ACT tests. Test scores may represent **one test only** of the SAT and ACT. **Do not combine scores from different tests.** The test scores should be provided on or with the transcript.

SAT Critical Reading _____
SAT Math _____
SAT Writing _____
SAT Total Score _____

ACT English _____
ACT Math _____
ACT Reading _____
ACT Science _____
ACT Writing _____ (score range 2 to 12)*
ACT Composite Score _____

*Writing is an optional component on the ACT test.
List the writing score if it was included.

Name of School Official: _____

Email Address of School Official: _____

High School Phone Number: (_____) _____

Signature and title of school official verifying GPA and scores

Date

SECTION 4. Mailing Instructions.

The application materials must be **received**—not postmarked—by the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union no later than February 1 in order for the application to receive consideration. When February 1 occurs on a weekend, the application materials are due no later than the following Monday. The application and related documents may be submitted by the applicant, the applicant's parents or guardians, or the school. **If the materials are submitted by the parents or guardians, note that the transcript should be provided by the school in a sealed envelope.** Do not staple documents. A return envelope is provided, or a different envelope may be used. When mailing materials, affix the proper amount of postage to prevent mailing delays. Return these forms to: Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union, Attn: Nancy Golding, P.O. Box 5129, Evansville, IN 47716-5129.