



## **Family First Credit Union Scholarship Program**

Family First Credit Union (FFCU) is committed to supporting our community, promoting educational advancement, and fostering financial well-being. In line with our mission, we propose the establishment of the Family First Credit Union Scholarship Program. This initiative aims to provide financial assistance to deserving students, helping them achieve their educational goals and build a brighter future. This scholarship program awards three individual scholarships of \$1,000 each, providing a total of \$3,000 in financial assistance. One of these scholarships is designated in honor of Ricardo Longoria, who faithfully served on our Board of Directors for 7 years until his passing in July 2025.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

1. Applicants must be a current member or relative of a current member of Family First Credit Union and residing in our area of membership.
2. Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited post-secondary institution, trade or vocational school.
3. Applicants must demonstrate academic achievement (minimum GPA of 2.50) and financial need. Submission of most recent quarterly report card will be required.
4. Applicants must submit a completed online form or email/drop off application by the deadline
5. Applicants must submit a thoughtful 250-500 word essay on the topic of what Financial Literacy means to them.
6. Applicants will be asked to submit one letter of recommendation.

### **Selection Criteria:**

1. Application review: A committee of FFCU staff and volunteers will review applications based on many factors including academic performance, financial need, letter of recommendation and the quality of the submitted essay.

2. Final Selection: The committee will select the final recipients and notify them by the mail and email.

**Application Checklist- All the below must be submitted by March 31st to be considered for FFCU Scholarship.**

1. Accurately completed application form
2. Proof of membership or relation of membership
3. 250-500 word essay on Financial Literacy
4. Submission of most recent quarterly report card to show cumulative GPA.
5. One letter of recommendation
6. Proof of enrollment or plan to enroll in an accredited post-secondary institution, trade or vocational school.

**Submission and Deadline:**

The application form and additional information can be found on our website at [www.fam1st.com](http://www.fam1st.com). All required documents and application may be submitted online, email or by mail. The deadline for submission is March 31, 2026. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

- Mail: Postmarked by March 31, 2026, to Family First Credit Union Attn: Emilee LeRoux, 1011 N. Michigan Ave Saginaw MI, 48602.
- Questions can be emailed to [scholarship@fam1st.com](mailto:scholarship@fam1st.com)

**Award Notification:**

Selected recipients of the FFCU scholarship will be notified by Family First via phone and email by April 15, 2026.