



## AZURA SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION INFORMATION & GUIDELINES

### INFORMATION

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Azura Credit Union is offering two scholarship opportunities. Each scholarship recipient will be awarded a one time \$1000 scholarship.

#### **Azura Scholarships:**

- **The Above and Beyond Scholarship:** Open to those eligible applicants seeking a degree at a college, university, technical or vocational school.
- **Diane Wright Memorial Scholarship:** Open to those eligible applicants seeking a degree in the Educational field.

Completed scholarship packets will be accepted as early as January 5, 2018 and no later than March 31, 2018. Winners will be announced by May 2018. Azura Credit Union employees, Board Members and their immediate families are not eligible to apply for the Azura Scholarship Competition.

### ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

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- Azura Credit Union Members or those with an immediate family member with an Azura account.
- Membership effective date must be prior to January 2018.
- Applicants will be attending an accredited higher education institute within the state of Kansas in the Fall of 2018.
- Previous scholarship recipients are eligible to apply.
- Both traditional and non-traditional students are encouraged to apply.

### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

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- Complete the application.
- Provide a copy of your high school or most recent transcripts.
- Provide a copy of your acceptance letter to attend a Kansas accredited higher education institute.
- Provide contact information for references.
- Applicants are required to complete an essay on one of the following topics:
  - How will furthering your education allow you to help improve more lives?
  - A time you went above and beyond.
  - A time you overcame adversity.
  - The reason(s) why you are applying for this scholarship.
- All documentation must be received no later than March 31, 2018.

#### By Mail

Azura Credit Union  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 1128  
Topeka, KS 66601-1128

#### In Person

Azura Credit Union  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
Any Location  
Topeka - Lenexa - Fort Riley

#### E-mail

[communications@azuracu.com](mailto:communications@azuracu.com)

## **JUDGING**

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Judging will take place in April 2018 and will be conducted by a committee selected by Azura Credit Union. Points will be awarded based on essays, transcripts and community activities to determine the scholarship recipients.

## **ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DETAILS**

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- Scholarship proceeds will be sent the first week of August.
- Scholarship proceeds may be used to help pay tuition, housing, books or meal costs and will be paid directly to the college/university or technical school by Azura Credit Union.
- It is at the discretion of the committee if an applicant is eligible to win both scholarships.
- Applicants and recipients are eligible to apply in future years.
- Winners agree to have their names, photos and potential educational/biographical information published in Azura Credit Union publications and press releases.
- Azura Credit Union employees and Board Members are not eligible. Immediate family members of Azura Credit Union employees or Board members are also not eligible.
- Immediate family is defined as: Someone's spouse, parents and grandparents, children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, mother-in-law and father-in-law, brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, daughters-in-law and sons-in-law. Adopted, half and step members are also included in the definition of immediate family.
- Scholarship applications may be obtained from any Azura Credit Union office, or can be completed online at [www.AzuraCU.com](http://www.AzuraCU.com).
- Questions can be directed to [communications@azuracu.com](mailto:communications@azuracu.com) or by calling Azura Credit Union's Marketing Department at 1.800.432.2470.

## **APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

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In order for your application to be considered complete, use this checklist:

- Is the entire application form completed?
  - Biographical
  - Educational
  - Extracurricular
  - Essay
  - References
- Did you include a copy of your most recent transcript?
- Did you include a copy of your acceptance letter or plan to provide a copy if selected?
- Did you make sure the items were delivered successfully prior to the March 31 deadline?



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please make sure you have reviewed the information and guidelines to determine if you are an eligible applicant. This application should be used for both The Above and Beyond Scholarship and the Diane Wright Memorial Scholarship. You can indicate your preference of scholarship for first consideration. The application and requested supplemental materials are all due no later than March 31, 2018. You may choose to send your application by mail, deliver in-person or send via e-mail.

THE ABOVE AND BEYOND SCHOLARSHIP

DIANE WRIGHT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

## BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name (First, Middle, Last) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Permanent Mailing Address, if different than above

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Daytime Phone Evening Phone E-mail

**Are you a member of Azura Credit Union?**  **Yes**  **No**

**If you answered No,** \_\_\_\_\_  
Azura Member Name Their Relationship To You

## EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
School Currently Attending or School Previously Attended \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates of Attendance

\_\_\_\_\_  
Highest Degree Earned or Current Status, example High School Senior \_\_\_\_\_  
Anticipated Graduation Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Higher Educational Institution, where you will be attending courses in the Fall

\_\_\_\_\_  
Expected Number of Credit Hours Per Semester \_\_\_\_\_  
Full or Part Time Student Status

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Field of Study/Major

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Desired Career



## **EXTRACURRICULAR INFORMATION**

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### **SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**

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### **COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

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### **AWARDS/HONORS/SCHOLARSHIPS** or any additional items

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## ESSAY

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Please select one of the topics and use the space below or attach a one page typed essay, not to exceed 750 words.

- How will furthering your education allow you to help improve more lives?**
- A time you went above and beyond for another person.**
- A time you overcame adversity.**
- The reason(s) why you are applying for this scholarship.**

## REFERENCES can not be immediate family

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Name	Daytime Phone	E-mail
<input type="checkbox"/> School Reference	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Reference	<input type="checkbox"/> Employer Reference
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## TRANSCRIPTS

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- I have included my most current transcripts.
- I am sending my transcripts separate from this application. I understand my application is considered incomplete until my transcripts are received by Azura and must be received prior to the deadline.

## LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE

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- I have included my letter of acceptance.
- If selected as the scholarship recipient I will provide a letter of acceptance. I understand the letter of acceptance must be received by the credit union prior to disbursement of funds.

**I certify all the information provided in this application and supporting documents is accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge. I am eligible to apply for this scholarship as outlined in the information and guidelines. I agree that Azura Credit Union may use my name, educational information and a photograph for publicity purposes. You will receive a confirmation e-mail within three business days of the scholarship committee having successfully received all application items.**

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**Applicant Signature** digital signatures are accepted

**Date**

**Please return completed application and supporting documents by mail, in-person or via e-mail:**

**By Mail**

**Azura Credit Union  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 1128  
Topeka, KS 66601-1128**

**In Person**

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Attn: Scholarship Committee  
Any Location  
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