



Scholarship Application

2024/2025



Oxford Federal Credit Union established its scholarship program to applaud the accomplishments of our student members and to support their continued education and training beyond high school.

Each spring, we award one scholarship to a student graduating from: **Buckfield, Dirigo, Mountain Valley, Oxford Hills** and **Telstar** High Schools.

AWARD

OFCU Scholarship Award for \$1,000:

- Recipients are limited to one scholarship award.
- Scholarship winners will be notified by their school's Scholarship Committee in June 2025.
- Awards will be presented at the winner's school scholarship or award ceremony.
- Money will be paid directly to the student at the beginning of the second semester of their first year, after providing proof of attendance at the college, university or technical school in which the student is enrolled.

ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must be a member of Oxford Federal Credit Union.*
- Applicant must be a graduating senior at one of the eligible high schools listed above.
- Applicant must be accepted as an incoming freshman to a two-year community college, four-year college or university or technical school.
- Student must begin further education within one year of award.

REQUIREMENTS

- Completed application and essay due no later than Friday, March 14, 2025.
- Applications may be delivered in person, emailed to **marketing@ofcu.org** or mailed to: **Scholarship Committee, Oxford Federal Credit Union, 225 River Road, Mexico, ME, 04257** for verification of Membership.
- Copy of letter of acceptance from the school of choice.
- Submission of a photo to be shared on our website if applicant is selected as a recipient.

SELECTION

Upon receipt of your application, OFCU will send a confirmation letter.

Applications will be sent collectively to the Scholarship Committee of each high school after the application deadline, for judging of entries and selection of the scholarship recipients. *Oxford Federal Credit Union does not select the recipients.*

Judging is based on:

- Information gathered through the application
- Motivation to continue education
- Achievements (honors, awards), extracurricular activities, work or volunteer experience
- Written essay
 - Judged on content, creativity and clarity.
 - Spelling, grammatical or typographical errors may disqualify your entry.

Transcripts are not required for this scholarship application.

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

**If the student is not a current member of OFCU, they may join the credit union by opening a share account with a minimum balance of \$5 prior to applying.*



Full Name:

Address:

Town: Zip:

Date of Birth: / / Phone:

Email:

Parents'/Guardians' Names:

High School:

Guidance Counselor/
Advisor

School Phone:

Program, College or University you plan to attend:

Mailing Address:

City: State: Zip:

Expected Enrollment Date: Field of Study:



Please write legibly or type your responses.

What degree or certification are you pursuing and why did you choose it?

List any honors/awards you have received at school/work or in the community.

List any school or community activities you are involved in.

Complete this sentence: "I am most proud of..."

Oxford Federal Credit Union promotes and encourages the financial wellness of our members and communities. Please attach a one-page essay that incorporates answers to these questions:

What does financial wellness mean to you? How confident do you feel in your ability to manage your personal financial future? Are there any areas in which you think your financial education is lacking? Guidance or information you would have liked to receive?

Certification and Release Authorization

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

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date