



2026 Dana Winkler Scholarship Application

College is an exciting step, but we know it can also come with financial stress. Wichita Federal Credit Union believes in supporting our members as they pursue their goals, which is why we're proud to offer an exclusive scholarship opportunity. We will award up to eight (8) \$2,000 scholarships to qualifying WFCU members attending an accredited educational institution in Fall 2026.

Eligibility

This scholarship is not awarded more than twice in succession. For example, if you were awarded a scholarship in 2024 and 2025, you are not eligible for the 2026 award. However, you are encouraged to apply again in 2027.

Applicants must meet the following criteria before applying for a scholarship:

- **Your Wichita Federal Credit Union membership or Freedom 1st Legacy Account must have begun on or before March 31, 2025, and accounts must be in good standing.**
- **You're either a graduating high school senior or a full-time undergraduate college student enrolled in a post-secondary school.**
- **You have at least a 3.0 grade point average.**

Application Requirements:

- 1) **Submit a completed application with all sections completed.**
- 2) **Submit the signed consent form.**
- 3) **Submit a PDF or screenshot of transcript from your high school or college/university.**
-High school applicants: Please fill out the section on page 2.
- 4) **PERSONAL STATEMENT: Prepare a personal statement up to 500 words describing:**
-Why you are passionate about your chosen major and future career.
-How this scholarship would help you achieve your goals, and what would it mean to you personally.
- 5) **Provide short responses to the following questions:**
Q1: List your scholastic awards/honors and any offices held in these organizations.
Q2: List your extra-curricular activities/awards and any offices held in these organizations.
Q3: Thinking about the next 5 to 10 years, how will your field of study apply to your future goals?
Q4: Why should you be considered for the scholarship, and what impact would receiving one have on your educational success?

Application Instructions:

This application document is fillable. **1)** Fill out the **application** and save the file. **2)** Type your **personal statement** and the responses to the **4 questions**, then save the file. **3) College:** Submit a copy of transcript. **High School:** Fill out the section on page 2 and submit a copy of transcript.

Email the application, personal statement, answers and copy of transcript to marketing@wichitafcu.com.

Application and required documents submission deadline is **March 31, 2026, by 11:59 pm CST**. Submissions are time stamped and will not be accepted after the deadline. For further information or if you have additional questions, call **316.558.9508** or send an email to marketing@wichitafcu.com.

We accept unofficial transcripts for this scholarship application.

Please upload a PDF or screenshot that has been downloaded directly from your school's online portal. If we require further verification, we may ask for an official transcript before awarding the scholarship.

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Applicant's Name: _____

Date of Membership at WFCU or Freedom 1st Legacy account (Must be one year prior to application date): _____

Address: _____ **City, State, Zip** _____ **Phone #:** _____

Email: _____

GPA at Current School/University (REQUIRED ANSWER): _____

School/University you plan to attend in the fall: _____

Major: _____

Current Employer if applicable:

Hours per week: _____

Father/Legal Guardian's name:

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Mother/Legal Guardian's name:

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____ Phone: _____

High School Applicants Only:

Please list the information below:

Name of High School: _____

Grade point average is _____ out of a possible _____.

Student Ranking is _____ in a class of _____.

We may contact the school registrar and request an official confirmation prior to awarding a scholarship.

Employees of WFCU, Directors, Volunteers, and their immediate families are not eligible to participate.

2026 Dana Winkler Scholarship Consent Form

Wichita Federal Credit Union may use pictures, slides, videos, or illustrations of students in newsletters or publications produced by WFCU, in social media, slide presentations, videos, and/or web sites about the scholarships. Local media (TV, newspaper, radio stations) frequently want to interview students to add a personal touch to stories. Students' comments may be used in newspapers or broadcast on radio or TV.

Please initial the statements below:

- _____ I give permission to Wichita Federal Credit Union or the news media to use pictures, slides, videos, illustrations, or interviews.
- _____ I acknowledge that the Dana Winkler Scholarship award of \$2,000 is **not** transferable to another college or university without prior approval from the WFCU Scholarship Committee.
- _____ I have reviewed the official scholarship rules in this packet.
- _____ I am eligible for the Dana Winkler Scholarship, per the official scholarship rules.

Your Signature if over 18: (DO NOT SIGN IF UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE. PARENT/GUARDIAN MUST SIGN BELOW.)

Signature of Parents/Legal Guardian if applicant is under 18 years of age:

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Street address, City, State, Zip: _____

Please include this completed and signed form with your scholarship application.

By signing this document, I certify that all the answers I have given in this application are correct to the best of my knowledge. I acknowledge WFCU's right to crop or treat the picture and/or video at its discretion. I also recognize that WFCU may choose not to use my photo or video at this time but may do so at its discretion later. I also understand that if my image or video is posted on WFCU's website, the image can be downloaded by any computer user, member or not. Therefore, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless from any claims: Wichita Federal Credit Union and all Employees, Board, and Committee members of Wichita Federal Credit Union.

DO NOT MAIL APPLICATIONS. If you cannot apply via email, please call **316.558.9508**.

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