



2009 SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST OVERVIEW

SWOFCU SCHOLARSHIP

The following provisions will be followed in handling and awarding of the Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union scholarships. Students are selected on qualifications such as ability, merit, and academic potential without regard to race, religion, color, or gender.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the scholarship is to recognize outstanding academic achievement in the classroom and to assist students in their academic pursuits.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- **High school students**
 - Scholarship recipient must be a member of Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union.
 - A high school student maintaining a 3.25 GPA or achieving at least a 25 ACT score.
- **College students**
 - Scholarship recipient must be a member of Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union.
 - A renewal or a college student maintaining a 3.25 GPA. (undergraduate students only)
 - Applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student (a minimum of 12 credit hours) each semester.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

The SWOFCU Board of Directors will establish a review committee to review all scholarship applications. The committee will then select up to ten students to receive a scholarship award. Students will be reviewed on their academic achievement. SWOFCU will then notify:

- Each selected student and request they attend SWOFCU's annual meeting
- Each college/university financial aid office
- Each high school principal involved, if applicable

HANDLING OF FUNDS

SWOFCU will notify the Financial Aid Office (of the student's choice) in writing, upon selection of the candidates. Up to ten \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded for each academic year. Each semester \$500 will be awarded and will be utilized first for tuition and books and second to cover costs for other incidentals to include school fees and supplies.



2009 SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Only complete applications will be processed.
2. At least one but no more than three letters of recommendation must accompany the application.
3. **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Complete the scholarship qualification portion of the application and have your high school principal or counselor verify your GPA and ACT score.
4. **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Attach the following item to your application:
 - A transcript with your grades from the Fall 2009 semester, or the last semester you attended college, must accompany a completed application. Students must have maintained a 3.25 GPA with a minimum of 12 hours.
5. To receive the scholarship money for the second semester, the student must provide proof of enrollment before second semester funds will be disbursed.
6. All applications must be mailed or personally delivered by Feb. 9, 2009 to:

Scholarship Selection Committee
Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union
1806 NW Liberty Ave.
Lawton, OK 73507



2009 SCHOLARSHIP CHECK LIST

Only complete applications will be considered. Before submitting application, check the following items:

- o If you are currently a college student, did you include a copy of your college transcript?

- o If you are currently a high school senior, did you complete the scholarship qualification portion of the application and have your high school principal or counselor verify your GPA and ACT score?

- o Did you include letters of recommendation? At least one, but no more than three letters of recommendation must accompany the application.



2009 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

_____ CELL: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

ACCOUNT NUMBER THIS APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED UNDER: _____

NAME & ADDRESS OF SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

SCHOOL YOU'LL BE ATTENDING FOR FALL 2009 SEMESTER: _____

SCHOOL STUDENT ID NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE): _____

BIOGRAPHY AND FUTURE PLANS (50 WORDS OR LESS): _____



I recommend _____ who is currently a senior in good standing for the Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union scholarship.

The qualifications are:

- o Grade Point Average: _____
- o ACT score: _____

- o Date: _____
- o Signature & Title: _____