



2008 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 assist students who have achieved a high academic standing and excelled in academic endeavors.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Scholarship recipient must be a member or a child of a member of Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union.
- A high school student maintaining a 3.0 GPA or achieving at least a 20 ACT score.
- A renewal or a college/university student maintaining a 3.0 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. SWOFCU will then notify:

- Each selected student and request they attend SWOFCU's scholarship reception
- 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.



2008 SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Only complete applications will be processed. The application may either be printed in ink or typewritten.
2. A copy of your high school or college/university transcript must accompany this application. The second semester of the current school year may be excluded.
3. At least one but no more than three letters of recommendation must accompany the application.
4. **HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS:** Attach the following item to your application:
 - A written statement from your principal or counselor stating your qualifications to include:
 - GPA
 - ACT score
 - This statement must include:
 - A date
 - The signature and title of the principal or counselor.
 - Statements from Career Advisors will not be accepted.
5. **COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY STUDENTS:** Attach the following item to your application:
 - A previous year's transcript must accompany a completed application. Students must have maintained a 3.0 GPA with a minimum of 12 hours and no grade less than a "C".
6. All applications must be mailed or personally delivered by April 1, 2008 to:

Scholarship Selection Committee
Southwest Oklahoma Federal Credit Union
1806 NW Liberty Ave.
Lawton, OK 73507
7. To receive the scholarship money for the second semester, the student must provide proof of enrollment before second semester funds will be disbursed.



2008 SCHOLARSHIP CHECK LIST

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

- o Did you sign the application?
- o Did you include a copy of your high school or college transcript?
- o If you are currently a high school senior, did you attach statements from your high school principal or counselor verifying 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.
- o Did you complete the essay portion of the application?
- o If this is a renewal application, did you include last year's transcript?



2008 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____ AGE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ PHONE: _____

_____ CELL: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

SWOFCU MEMBER NAME & ACCOUNT NUMBER THIS APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED UNDER: _____

NAME & ADDRESS OF SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

SCHOOL YOU'LL BE ATTENDING FOR FALL 2008 SEMESTER: _____

SCHOOL STUDENT ID NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE): _____

LIST ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED AND INDICATE OFFICES HELD:

LIST OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN AWARDED:



2008 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ESSAY PART 1:

Answer the following question in 50 words or less: What is the credit union movement?

ESSAY PART 2:

State in 50 words or less why you are applying for this scholarship?

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____ DATE: _____

THIS AREA TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE:

DATE SELECTED FOR SCHOLARSHIP: _____

DATE SCHOOL NOTIFIED: _____

DATE FINANCIAL AID OFFICCE NOTIFIED: _____