

High School/College Activities

List all activities (clubs, sports, music, drama, community organizations, church, etc.) with which you have been involved. Include responsibilities and any offices held.

Awards and Honors

Employment

<i>Place Employed</i>	<i>Dates Employed</i>	<i>Position Held</i>	<i>Duties Performed</i>

Community Service

List any community service you have been a part of along with the approximate number of hours for each type of community service. Number of Community Service Hours Total:

Additional Information

List any additional information you want the scholarship committee to know.

Letters of Recommendation

Two letters of recommendation must be submitted with this application. Recommendations should come from those who can speak of your character, abilities, achievements, community involvement, and/or leadership abilities (a counselor, teacher, coach, etc.). This should NOT be a family member.

Additional Attachments Needed

The following documents should be attached to your scholarship application.

High School Transcript

College Transcript (if you are currently enrolled in college)

Acceptance Letter or evidence of enrollment to an accredited higher learning program (university, college, technical, skilled trades or vocational institution)

Scholarship Options

The scholarship committee will choose a total of (5) recipients. The recipients may be high school seniors or currently enrolled in an accredited higher learning program. Not all categories will have winners and others may have more than one winner, depending on number of applicants in each category. Check the option you choose to submit for (choose only one):

People Helping People Scholarship

This student will demonstrate through a typed essay (attach to application) of at least 750 words and not more than 1,500 words how he or she exemplifies the credit union philosophy of “people helping people”.

I Fought Back Scholarship

This student will demonstrate through a typed essay (attach to application) of at least 750 words and not more than 1,500 words how he or she had to personally overcome something in their life to get where they are now.

Courageous Camera Scholarship

This student will create a video to help other students learn how to make smart money choices. Video link is:

Savvy Saver Scholarship

This student will come up with a creative savings account product name, logo and/or slogan, with a brief pitch for how this type of account would work. Materials should be submitted and attached to/with application.

Innovative Idea Scholarship

This student will demonstrate through video and/or marketing materials, an innovative idea you have for the credit union. This idea can be for any part of the credit union (example: loans, marketing, education, web, mobile, etc.)

ELGA Credit Union Scholarship

Notice of Understanding

(actual signatures needed for remainder of application)

Application Deadline

Complete application must be postmarked or received at any ELGA Credit Union Branch or ELGA Credit Union Administration Building by close of business day on March 18, 2022. Any incomplete applications or applications with missing documents will be disqualified. Submissions are accepted at any ELGA Credit Union Branch location, by email (send to: lori.hawk@elgacu.com), or US Mail sent to: ELGA Credit Union Scholarship Committee, 2305 S Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519. Application can be completed online or printed and completed with blue or black pen. Any essays submitted must be typed, 12 pt Times New Roman, double spaced, and not hand written.

Selection Process

All eligible applications will be reviewed by the 2022 Scholarship Committee (volunteers) made up of ELGA Credit Union staff and/or Board Members. Any incomplete applications with missing documents will be disqualified. Applicants will be judged on their application, essay and/or materials (for non-essay scholarship winners). ELGA Credit Union does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, age, gender, marital status, financial status, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability.

Eligibility

Student applicant must have been the primary account holder and a member in good standing on or before December 31, 2021 and must be a member on the last day of the academic year in which the award is to be given. Applicant must be working toward an undergraduate degree (not masters or graduate degree). All applicants must have a GPA of 2.50 or higher and plan to enter higher education in the next academic year. Evidence of enrollment must be submitted as a part of the application process. Eligible higher education includes universities, colleges, technical, skilled trades, and vocational institutions. ELGA Credit Union employees, Board, Committee members, and their immediate families are NOT eligible to apply. The scholarship will be merit based rather than need.

Awards

Five (5) One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000) scholarships will be awarded. Scholarship winners will be contacted by letter and phone by May 1, 2022. All other applicants will be contacted by email or mail by May 1, 2022. At the option of the credit union, the awards will be paid directly to the educational institution in which the student is enrolled. The award is to provide financial assistance to the recipient in their pursuit of an undergraduate degree. The award money shall be used for the student's tuition, fees, books, or other school fees. Awards will be paid out by the beginning of academic year.

The awards are intended to constitute qualified scholarships exempt from federal income tax under Section 117 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Use of the amount for purposes other than those noted may jeopardize tax exempt status. If tax liability arises, it will be the sole responsibility of the recipient. ELGA Credit Union shall maintain records, administer and provide all necessary staffing for the ELGA Credit Union Scholarship(s).

I, _____, agree I have read and complied with the notice of understanding requirements.

Signature of Applicant

Date

ELGA Credit Union Scholarship
Certification and Media Authorization & Consent Release
(actual signatures needed)

Certification of Applicant

I certify the information in this application and all accompanying documents are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I also certify, I personally answered all questions and composed the materials relating to the chosen scholarship myself. I understand if for any reason I discontinue my studies, I must notify ELGA Credit Union within 10 days. I grant permission to release school records to the ELGA Credit Union Scholarship Committee.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Media Authorization Consent & Release

Scholarship winners will be recognized through various communication channels internally and externally for marketing, publicity, and public relation use. All submissions including video and materials become the property of ELGA Credit Union and will not be returned.

I, _____, consent to allow ELGA Credit Union to use my name, photograph(s), video, print and interactive media for the use and re-use through web communications, publicizing, advertising, and social media. I further grant ELGA Credit Union partners the right for use of the same materials.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent or Guardian
(if applicant is under 18 years of age)

Date