

## *2019 Doris J. Cunningham Scholarship*

***Deadline: March 29, 2019***

Dear Student:

Members Choice WV Federal Credit Union is offering two (2) scholarships valued at \$1,000 each to be awarded to two graduating high school senior students planning to attend a professional education program at any accredited trade or vocational school, 2-year community college or a 4-year university as a full-time student (12 hours minimum). Applications will be reviewed and judged by an independent committee designated by Members Choice. Applicants will be individually informed of the committee's results by April 26, 2019.

Scholarship recipients must demonstrate exceptional character, community involvement, an interest in school activities and the potential for academic success.

The deadline for the 2019 scholarship submission is March 29, 2019. Applicants must be a current Members Choice WV Federal Credit Union **primary** member by December 31, 2018 (in accordance with eligibility requirements for membership of the credit union).

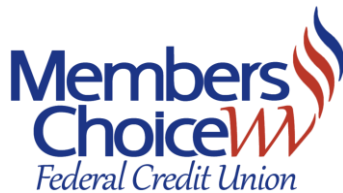
The following criteria will be used to consider all applications:

- Academic Merit: 35%
- Community & School Involvement: 30%
- Personal Essay: 20%
- School Teacher/Official Evaluation: 15%

Eligibility requirements, scholarship guidelines, an application and a scholarship checklist are provided within.

**All applications must be submitted or postmarked by March 29, 2019 to the following address:**

**Members Choice WV Federal Credit Union  
Attention: Gabrielle McClure  
PO Box 20040  
Charleston, WV 25362**



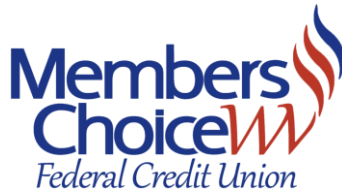
## **2019 Scholarship Eligibility Requirements**

**The following eligibility requirements must be met and all required documents must be submitted to Members Choice for scholarship disbursement:**

- An applicant must be a graduating high school senior and must be a **primary** member of Members Choice WV Federal Credit Union as of December 31, 2018.
- An applicant must have a Cumulative GPA Minimum of 2.75 (on 4.0 Scale)
- Applications must be submitted or postmarked by March 29, 2019. No Exceptions!
- Scholarship recipients will receive the monetary award once proof of enrollment as well as proof of billing or payment of fees and tuition is provided to Members Choice.

## **2019 Scholarship Guidelines**

- Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements.
- The enclosed application form must be completed and submitted along with all other required documents by March 29, 2019. Please print your name in the upper right corner of each page you submit in case they become separated.
- Copies of official transcripts from all high schools attended must be provided, and must include
  - Completed courses
  - Courses in progress
  - Cumulative GPA
- A copy of official SAT and/or ACT test scores must be provided. These scores may be reported on the transcript(s); if so, please include a note stating that the scores appear on the transcript.
- The applicant is to write one personal essay (500 words minimum). The essay must be typed neatly and written on the following topic:
  - *What is the most challenging obstacle you have faced & how did you overcome it?  
How will this help you in your future plans?*
- An evaluation of the student applicant by an adult school teacher/official must be provided. See the Scholarship Evaluation Form contained within for details on what the evaluation should include. The evaluator may not have a familial relationship to the applicant. The evaluation is not to be submitted by the student applicant, rather must be submitted separately and directly to Members Choice by the evaluator. The evaluation must be submitted or postmarked by no later than March 29, 2019.
- Scholarship recipients must be able to provide a photo & participate in a speaking engagement and/or photo opportunity with Members Choice. Such participation will be coordinated with the scholarship recipients and/or their schools after the scholarship results are announced.



## **2019 Scholarship Application**

***Deadline: March 29, 2019***

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### ***STUDENT INFORMATION***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Last*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Number & Street City State Zip*

Telephone #: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Member Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ Last 4 of SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### ***SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION***

Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Projected class rank & size of graduating class \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Ex: 12/505)*

SAT Score(s) \_\_\_\_\_ and/or ACT Score(s) \_\_\_\_\_

College/University you wish to attend:

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name City State*

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Name City State*

Intended major you plan to study: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any educational plans beyond four years of college? If so, please explain:

\_\_\_\_\_  
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How do you plan to finance your education:

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***ACTIVITIES & AWARDS***

Include volunteer/community service that you have done, extracurricular/school activities you have participated in, offices held and depth of involvement and any awards you have received. Attach additional sheets as necessary.

Activities

Offices held

Number of years

Awards received

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***PRESENT EMPLOYMENT RECORD (if applicable):***

Employment & Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours per week: \_\_\_\_\_ How long in this position: \_\_\_\_\_

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***PERSONAL ESSAY***

Write one personal essay (500 words minimum) on the following topic, and provide a neatly typed copy with your scholarship submission.

*What is the most challenging obstacle you have faced & how did you overcome it?  
How will this help you in your future plans?*

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***ADDITIONAL INFORMATION***

Please list any comments or additional information here. If there are any unusual circumstances in your family which may be pertinent to this application, please briefly explain here.

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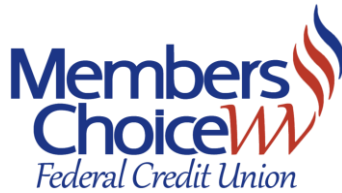
***DISCLAIMER & SIGNATURE***

I certify that the information disclosed in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the release of information for Members Choice WV Federal Credit Union to confirm and/or verify this application. I agree to abide by the decisions of Members Choice WV Federal Credit Union and the impartial scholarship committee, and understand that the decisions are final and not open to contest. A false statement, alteration or omission of pertinent information from this application will be considered just cause for removal of application from scholarship consideration.

Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

*If applicant is under 18 years of age*

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_



## 2019 Scholarship Evaluation Form

*An evaluation of the student applicant by an adult school teacher/official must be provided. The evaluator may not have a familial relationship to the applicant. **The evaluation is not to be submitted by the student applicant, rather must be submitted separately and directly to Members Choice by the evaluator. The evaluation must be submitted or postmarked by no later than March 29, 2019.***

Dear School Teacher/Official:

Thank you for providing us with this evaluation. It is a valuable part of the scholarship selection process. Your assessment of the student should address the applicant's honesty, conscientiousness, ability to accept responsibility in life and/or in the classroom as well as any qualifications the student possesses that are pertinent to their preferred area of study. Any special qualities which are outstanding in the student, such as concern for others or kindness, should also be noted. In addition to a completed Evaluation Form, you may also provide a letter of recommendation on official school letterhead, but it is not required.

Upon completion, please mail directly to:

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or send via e-mail to [gmcclure@memberschoicewv.com](mailto:gmcclure@memberschoicewv.com).

**The evaluation and any accompanying recommendation letter may not be submitted by the student applicant, rather must be submitted separately and directly to Members Choice by the evaluator. The evaluation must be submitted or postmarked by no later than March 29, 2019.**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First*      *M.I.*      *Last*

Please check the appropriate boxes which represent the student's personal characteristics.				
	Fair	Good	Excellent	Unknown
Leadership				
Responsibility				
Integrity, Honesty				
Teamwork, Cooperation				
Motivation				
Common Sense, Judgment				
Temperance				
Diligence, Perseverance				

Additional Comments & Recommendations:

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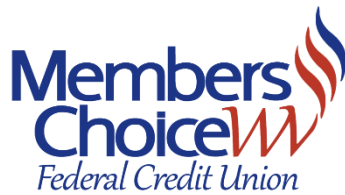
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Evaluator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Dept: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please Print*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_



## **2019 Scholarship Checklist**

Please use this checklist to ensure you have all of the required components of your scholarship application submission. Only applications that contain all of the required documentation will be considered. If you have any questions, please contact Gabrielle McClure at (304) 346-5242, ext. 203, or by email at [gmclure@memberschoicewv.com](mailto:gmclure@memberschoicewv.com).

- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Scholarship Application
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of official transcripts from all high schools attended, including completed courses, courses in progress and cumulative GPA
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of official SAT and/or ACT scores (please note if reported on transcripts)
- \_\_\_\_\_ List of Activities & Awards
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Personal Essay (minimum 500 words)
- \_\_\_\_\_ All necessary signatures on Scholarship Application
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Evaluation Form and/or Letter of Recommendation (submitted directly to Members Choice by the evaluator)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Application packet submitted or postmarked by March 29, 2019

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