

# Police Federal Credit Union \*Omaha Robert Sklenar Memorial Scholarships

## 2018 SCHOLARSHIP RULES AND ESSAY REQUIREMENTS

**The Police Federal Credit Union will award up to \$3000 in scholarships to student members who plan to continue their education. To be eligible the students must be:**

1. Graduating from high school in the Spring of 2018.
2. Attending an accredited college, university, vocational or trade school in the Fall of 2018.
3. A primary member of OPFCU for at least 12 months and in good standing. Please note: Student must have his/her own account. Parent or guardian membership does not qualify a student for the scholarship.

**Instructions:** Answer each of the following questions concisely, yet thoroughly, using proper grammar, spelling, and punctuation. Your submission will be graded on format, style, and content. Each question will be worth 50 points, and each will be graded separately. There will be no minimum or maximum length for your submission.

### **Questions:**

1. As you move into this new and exciting stage of your life in college, provide a brief overview of your future goals and aspirations and reflect on how your life experiences have shaped these goals. Include specific examples of situations in which you faced challenges and how you're handling those situations have helped direct you to the path that you are on.
2. In 50 words or less, describe how you have had a positive impact on the community.
3. Rising college costs have reached critical levels in recent years, leaving graduates with massive debt and difficulty finding jobs in their field of study that pay enough to survive in today's economy. Discuss how your college plans will help ensure that you are successful upon completing your degree.
4. Aside from the issues of college debt and employability, what is the single greatest challenge facing Generation Z individuals?

**Judging:** Judges will evaluate the answers on predetermined, point-based criteria. Each question is worth 50 points for a total of 200 for the submission.

**Student's completed scholarship application and essay must be received at the Credit Union's main office by 12:00 noon on Saturday, February 17, 2018 for judging.**

Winners will be notified by phone and featured on the Credit Union website, Facebook page, announced in the Informant newsletter and posted at Credit Union locations.

Winners will be given scholarship funds upon receipt of proof of intent to attend college (acceptance letter, registration, etc.). Scholarship funds will be deposited into the credit union account of the winner(s).

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## 2018 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

### Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City State Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

OPFCU Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ SS#: \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent/Guardian

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City State Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Education Information

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

High School Address: \_\_\_\_\_ HS Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Accredited Post-Secondary School You Will Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address City State Zip

2-Year Community/Junior College  4-Year College/University  Vocational/Technical School

Anticipated Annual Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Disclaimer and Signature

*I, the applicant, certify that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

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

PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM BY 12 NOON ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2018 TO:

[nancy@opfcu.com](mailto:nancy@opfcu.com) or:

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