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EXPLORERS CU EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS: 2026-2027 QUALIFICATIONS

The Details

There are six (6) \$2,500 Scholarships awards available for use by full-time adult students enrolled in an accredited United States college, university, trade, or technical school for the 2026-27 school year.

Who Can Apply

All Applicants must:

- Be a 2026 graduating High School Senior.
- Be a primary account holder at Explorers FCU and be in good standing
- Employees, Directors, committee member, or immediate family members are not eligible

Submission Requirements:

2026-2027 Topic: *The Explorers Promise is to support, educate, encourage, and inspire our members and communities to reach their goals and never stop exploring.*

Share a story or experience from your life that demonstrates how you have embraced this promise. How have you supported or educated others, encouraged someone to reach their goals, or inspired your community to explore new opportunities? What impact did this have on you and those around you?

In your submission, the following is required:

- A one-Page written essay or Video on the 2026-2027 Topic (Maximum: 500-word essay or 2-minute video)
- Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or community leader who is not related to you
- A complete, signed scholarship application form
- Official High School Transcript
- Proof of College Enrollment
- Recent Photo (Email to Marketing @explorerscu.com) to be shared on social media and in marketing materials

The deadline to submit your 2026-2027 application is March 14th, 2026.

Selection and Payment

You will be notified if you have been selected at the awards banquet for your school or by a staff member of Explorers Credit Union by June 1st, 2026.

Scholarships are paid in two installments, \$1,250 each semester upon verification of enrollment and current active membership in good standing. Checks are issued to the student and the school.

If you have questions regarding the scholarship application or the process, please contact us at marketing@explorerscu.com or **605.665.4309**.



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EXPLORERS CU EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS: 2026-2027 APPLICATION

Please use this application for the High School Scholarships (graduating high school student) or the Jon Economy Business Scholarship.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	
HOME ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	ZIP
PHONE	EMAIL	

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

SCHOOL	ADDRESS	
CITY	STATE	ZIP
EXTRA CURRICULAR / COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT		

2026-2027 TECH/COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

SCHOOL	MAJOR
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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP?

ECU WEBSITE	SCHOOL COUNSELOR	SOCIAL MEDIA	EMAIL	FRIEND/FAMILY	OTHER _____
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I certify that the answers are true to the best of my knowledge and grant permission to be shared with the Scholarship Selection Committee. I further grant permission to Explorers Credit Union to use my name and submitted photo for website, social media, and other marketing channels.

SIGNATURE	DATE
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**Visit ExplorersCU.com for qualification and application details.*

Don't forget, we also need the following with your application:

- Personal written essay or video on the 2026-2027 topic. (Maximum: 500-word essay or 2-minute video)
- Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or community leader
- Proof of college enrollment
- Sealed transcript from current school
- Recent photo (*Please email a full color, high resolution photo to marketing@explorerscu.com*)