



Ready to take on the world?

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**The Shenango Valley Chapter of Credit Unions
in conjunction with**



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**are proud to offer \$500
2025 Continuing Education Awards and
The Edward J Cialella First Choice Scholarships**

For nearly 20 years, we have invested in the educational lives of our young members by offering these scholarships. Applicants must be a members prior to submitting an application. Members must be between the ages of 17-24, pursuing post-high school studies at a college, university, or vocational trade school.

Completed applications and essays are due to the credit union by **April 11, 2025**. Or they can be mailed to First Choice FCU - RE: Scholarship - 2209 W State Street - New Castle PA, 16101. The winners will be contacted, announced, and posted at the credit unions.

We are proud to support the education of our future, the youth of our credit unions. So many of you have supported our efforts to raise money for this worthwhile cause, and we are so grateful for your contributions.

Scholarships now available!



Total number of scholarships
determined by funding

CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP

One Application - Enters into two Scholarship Opportunities

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Last Four of SS#: _____

High school or school you currently attend: _____

List post-high school institutions you have been accepted or will be attending this coming year.

Please mail your completed application by **April 11, 2025** to your credit union or mail to:

FIRST CHOICE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

RE: Scholarship

2209 W. State Street

New Castle, PA 16101

Remember, in order to be eligible, you must be a member of the credit union!

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Scholarships deemed completed other than by the student will be disqualified.

Applicant's Last 4 of SS# _____ (DO NOT include your name on this or attached pages)

By submitting your application, you are submitting your endorsement to allow the credit union and its affiliates to use your name and likeness (if applicable) to announce you as a winner should this come to pass.

- 1.) Please list your community and/or school activities, work, volunteer experiences, or awards you earned. Please limit these experiences to the most recent three years past. Please let us know if you have been recognized for any of these efforts and what you learned from them. 10 Points (Limit to 1 page)
- 2.) Please answer the following essay question, worth 40 points, on a separate sheet, typed, double spaced, with font size no smaller than 11. Please **DO NOT** list your name anywhere on the essay. Please place the last four digits of your social security number on each page in the header or footer of the page. Failure to do so and you **WILL BE DISQUALIFIED**. (Limit your response to no more than 3 pages.)

Credit unions support various financial literacy programs throughout our schools and communities. These programs are designed to teach our young members how to develop a budget, save, and spend their money wisely.

Discuss the importance of financial education and explain how you are preparing financially for your future.

What programs and services can your credit union offer to help you and others reach your goals?