



Welcome to the 2017-2018 Youth Involvement Board Scholarship Program

What It's All About...

The YIB offers credit unions throughout the state an opportunity to participate in this statewide scholarship program for high school seniors.

The YIB awards eight (8) scholarships to credit union members seeking post-secondary education in the amount of \$1,000 each. Four (4) scholarships are awarded to students attending a 4-year college/university and four (4) scholarships are awarded to students attending technical/vocational schools or community colleges.

Credit unions are categorized by chapter: Northern, North-Central, Southern, and South-Central. Two winners are chosen in each chapter: the top scoring student attending a 4-year college or university and the top scoring student attending a technical/vocational school or community college. This will give more opportunity to all the credit unions in each chapter to produce a scholarship winner. The goal of the scholarship program is to be able to aid as many students as possible.

Scholarship applicants are competing against all other applicants in their chapter. The applicants will be judged based on academic performance, community involvement, honors, leadership roles, and other criteria.

If you would like to take advantage of this great opportunity to help your young members, simply fill out the Participation Agreement portion of this document (page 4) and return it with a check for the appropriate amount to NJCUL by February 2, 2018 (see fee chart below for additional return grading fee).

Fees

Scholarship Program Participation Fee: \$175 per credit union

For an additional fee, the YIB will provide you with the scores of your member applicants. This way the credit union can provide its own scholarship to its top scorers. This additional processing fee is for your credit union to avoid developing, printing, and grading your own scholarship applications.

The fees are as follows:

| | Total Cost: |
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| • Up to \$5 million in assets: \$24 | \$199 total |
| • \$5 million to \$20 million in assets: \$35 | \$210 total |
| • \$20 million to \$50 million in assets: \$45 | \$220 total |
| • \$50 million to \$100 million in assets: \$60 | \$235 total |
| • Over \$100 million: \$75 | \$250 total |

Getting the Word Out to Young Members

The following is available on the NJCUL Web site for your use:

- Lobby posters/flyers to hang, hand out, send to youth members
- Scholarship applications, which students can either download directly from the League site or you can post the application to your credit union's Web site; you can also print copies and make them available in your branches

All winners and their credit unions will have their names printed in an issue of the Daily Exchange.

Key Dates and Timeline

Below is a timeline that highlights key dates during the scholarship program. If you have any questions about these dates or any other scholarship information, please contact YIB Scholarship coordinator Natalie Spangenberg at nspangenberg@njcul.org or 609-469-5004.

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| February 2, 2018 | Participation Agreements and payments are due to the NJCUL office |
| October 2017 through March 2018 | Participating CUs market the program to young members through branch signage, newsletter articles, and flyers |
| March 30, 2018 | Deadline for students to provide their applications to participating CUs |
| May 1, 2018 | Deadline for participating CUs to provide completed applications to NJCUL |
| June 1, 2018 | YIB will announce the winners of the 2017-2018 Scholarship Program |

Important Information

The YIB will not keep any scholarship applications on file. Please make copies of all applications prior to submitting the applications to NJCUL for review to keep on file.

Please note: Credit unions are responsible for verifying the eligibility of each student application received. Credit unions can break the official seals of documents in order to do so and send the documents unsealed to the YIB. These applications will be accepted as official.

All applicants must be a member in good standing with a 2017/2018 YIB Scholarship Program participating credit union and must be enrolled as a high school senior at the time of application.

Students that do not provide all the information necessary to judge the entry will not be considered for a scholarship.

Send Participation Agreements and completed applications by the deadlines stated above to Natalie Spangenberg at the following address or to nspangenberg@njcul.org via email:

Attn: Natalie Spangenberg
Youth Involvement Board -- NJCUL
299 Ward Street
Hightstown, NJ 08520

2016/2017 YIB Scholarship Winners

Last year, the YIB received around 160 applications from students across the state. The top two university-submitted scores in the Northern Chapter were selected as there were no submissions for a community college or vocational/technical school in that chapter. The YIB Board would like to congratulate the following students who were awarded the 2016-2017 YIB Scholarships:

Sarah Canfield, Picatinny FCU

Fenix Gray, Members 1st of NJ FCU

Melody Hall, ABCO FCU

Gabrielle LaSasso, New Jersey law & Public Safety FCU

Rachel Lawrence, Deepwater Industries FCU

Joshua Regan, County Educators FCU

Julia Swanson, Atlantic FCU

Eileen Wang, Garden Savings FCU

2016/2017 Participating Credit Unions

The YIB would like to thank the following credit unions for their generous participation in the 2016-2017 YIB Scholarship Program. Thank you for continuing to support the youth of the credit union movement by promoting this program to your members.

ABCO FCU

Bay Atlantic FCU

County Educators FCU

Elizabeth NJ Firemen's FCU

Healthcare Employees FCU

Liberty Savings FCU

Members 1st of NJ FCU

NJ Law & Public Safety CU

Picatinny FCU

Princeton FCU

United Teletech Financial FCU

Advanced Financial FCU

Atlantic FCU

Community Financial Services FCU

Deepwater Industries FCU

Garden Savings FCU

Jersey Shore FCU

M&C Menlo Park FCU

Motion FCU

Novartis FCU

XCEL FCU

Raritan Bay FCU

West Orange Municipal FCU

Middlesex County NJ FCU

2016/2017 YIB Committee Members

- Marissa Anema, NJCUL
- Natalie Spangenberg, NJCUL
- Janet Duffield, Bay Atlantic FCU
- Kyle Jaremko, Princeton FCU
- Sandy Mullins, Novartis FCU
- Debbie Perkins, Bay Atlantic FCU



Interested in joining the Youth Involvement Board? Please contact Natalie Spangenberg at nspangenberg@njcul.org or 609-469-5004 for more information.



2017-2018 YIB Scholarship Participation Agreement

Credit Union Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Chapter: Northern North-Central Southern South-Central

Please make your selection from the following two plans (you must choose either Plan A or Plan B):

Plan A – \$175

My credit union would like to participate in the YIB Scholarship Program. My credit union will not be offering its own scholarship. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$175 made payable to NJCUL Scholarship Program.

Plan B – Fees Listed Below

My credit union would like to participate in the YIB Scholarship Program as well as offer its own scholarship program. Enclosed is a check made payable to NJCUL Scholarship Program for the amount corresponding to my credit union's asset size. (See pricing chart listed below. Prices include the standard \$175 participation fee plus the additional fee to have all applicants' scores returned to the credit union):

- \$199 for credit unions up to \$5 million
- \$210 for credit unions \$5 million to \$20 million
- \$220 for credit unions \$20 million to \$50 million
- \$235 for credit unions \$50 million to \$100 million
- \$250 for credit unions over \$100 million

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Youth Involvement Board (YIB) Scholarship Application 2017-2018

The Award

The New Jersey Credit Union League's Youth Involvement Board (YIB) scholarship is an award of \$1,000 to be paid jointly to the winning student and the student's chosen accredited educational institution.

Eligibility

The applicant must be a member in good standing of a 2017-2018 YIB Scholarship Program participating credit union and must be enrolled as a high school senior at the time of the application.

Scholarship funds must be used for tuition only at an accredited educational institution (community college, 4-year college, university, or technical/vocational school) for the upcoming 2018/2019 school year.

Application Process

Eligible members must complete this scholarship application in its entirety and return it to his/her credit union by the March 30, 2018 deadline. A student may submit only one application through one credit union. The application must be completed and signed by the student and parent/guardian as well as a management-level official of the student's participating credit union (see page 2).

The signed and completed application must be submitted with the following:

- An official high school transcript that includes a cumulative GPA of completed marking periods as of date of submission. GPA must be NON-WEIGHTED on a 4.0 scale.
- The completed Teacher Reference portion of the application (see page 4). It must be completed and signed by one of the applicant's teachers.

The application (page 2 and 3 of this form), transcript, and Teacher Reference (page 4) must be returned to the participating credit union by the application deadline: March 30, 2018. If any portion of the application is incomplete or not included, the applicant will be disqualified.

Selection Process

Judging is based on academic performance, extracurricular activities, community service/involvement, references, and leadership roles. Credit unions will be notified of the scholarship winners by June 1, 2018.

Application Verification (For Credit Union Use Only)

Application will not be considered unless this section is completed in full by the participating credit union's management.

I hereby certify that the following applicant is a credit union member in good standing.

Credit Union Official's Name: _____

Credit Union Name: _____

Chapter: Northern North-Central Southern South-Central

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Scholarship Applicant Information

Applicant will not be eligible unless all information is completed and requested documentation is provided. Please type or print clearly. When filling in the information below, use only the space provided. Please do not attach any additional sheets or resumes to this application.

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: (_____) _____ Email: _____

Name of High School: _____

Name of Institution You Plan to Attend: _____

Please fill in the appropriate box for the above-mentioned institution:

4-Year College/University Community College or Technical/Vocational School

Certification and Release Authorization

The application must be signed by both the student and the parent/guardian of the student before the applicant can be considered for a scholarship. Please have the appropriate parties sign and date below.

I certify that the information in this application is true, complete, and accurate and that I am a member in good standing of the above credit union. I authorize the release of my information for the purpose of confirming the validity of this application.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Tell Us About Yourself!

Please list your academic achievement and awards, community service involvement, and extracurricular activities in the spaces provided below. If applicable, please also indicate if you have held a leadership role or held a leadership position for each activity. Leadership titles can include, but are not limited to: manager, supervisor, counselor, team captain, cabin leader, president, vice president, etc.

Academic Achievements/Awards

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____

Leadership Role/Position

- _____
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Community Service

1. _____
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Leadership Role/Position

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Extracurricular Activities

(sports, clubs, organizations, jobs, etc.)

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Leadership Role/Position

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Teacher Reference



Student's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Date: _____

The above named student is applying for a credit union college scholarship through the New Jersey Credit Union League's Youth Involvement Board (YIB). The student will be competing with students from participating credit unions across the state.

Please complete the questionnaire below by checking off the options that best describe the student's performance. When completed and signed, return the questionnaire to the student. If this questionnaire is not completed and signed, the applicant will not be eligible for the scholarship. The student must return the materials to his/her credit union by March 30, 2018. Thank you for your cooperation.

If you have any questions, please contact the YIB Scholarship coordinator Natalie Spangenberg at 800-792-8861, ext. 110. or nspangenberg@njcul.org.

1. Participation in Discussion

- Always involved, often initiates
- Usually participates
- Often participates
- Occasionally participates
- Seldom Participates

2. Involvement in Classroom Activities

- Very active in all activities
- Often active in some activities
- Somewhat active, politely attentive
- Distracted, seldom participates
- Greatly inattentive

3. Pursuit of Independent Study (work outside of the classroom)

- Substantial study and major projects
- Considerable study and/or major projects
- Some study and minor projects
- Minimal study or minor projects
- No evidence of independent study

4. Evenness of Performance

- Consistent, varies no more than one mark
- Occasionally varies more than one mark
- Uneven, often varies two marks
- Erratic, performance fluctuates greatly

5. Critical/Questioning Attitude

- High level of independent/critical thinking
- Moderate level of independent/critical thinking
- Mild level of independent or critical thinking
- Minimal critical thinking
- Little to no independent or critical thinking

6. Depth of Understanding

- Excellent insight
- Good understanding
- Some insight
- Little insight
- Poor understanding

7. Personal Responsibility

- Always fully accepts
- Usually fully accepts
- Partially accepts
- Sometimes refuses
- Often Refuses

8. Consideration for Others

- Always considerate
- Usually considerate
- Little consideration
- Sometimes inconsiderate
- Often inconsiderate

Comments: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____ Phone #: _____