

United Staff Union Scholarship

Application Form

The United Staff Union Scholarship is established solely for the purpose of defraying the cost of the applicant (s) post-secondary education for members and dependents of eligible members. The scholarship is to be used to pay for all or part of the recipient (s) fees and tuition, provided eligibility is maintained. A maximum of six (6) scholarships may be awarded, the dollar amounts to be determined by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Each scholarship is awarded in two (2) installments (by semester) and the recipient is required, following the first semester, to submit a transcript of grades to be eligible to receive the next installment.

Criteria for Eligibility and Evaluation

1. The applicant must be a member, an unmarried dependant (defined as a USU member (s) biological, step, or adopted child, under the age of 25) of an active member, of a person who died while holding active membership, or of an inactive member (those employees on a layoff, on unpaid leaves of absence, on disability, called to active military duty, and those whose employment has been involuntarily terminated the later will be inactive during the period of litigation over said termination).
2. The applicant must be a high school graduate planning to pursue or already pursuing post-secondary education in a school of his or her choosing.
3. The applicant must show evidence of involvement in school, organizational, or community activities.
4. The Scholarship Selection Committee will give first consideration to the five following criteria:
 - A. Applicant (s) essay
 - B. The applicant (s) academic performance (transcripts)
 - C. Two (2) letters of recommendation submitted with application:

1. One from school teacher/employer who is familiar with applicant (s) prior academic/work performance and/or school activities;
- and
2. One from a community member, outside the school/work setting, who is familiar with the applicant(s) prior involvement in community activities.
- D. The applicant (s) school and community activities
- E. The applicant (s) financial need

The selection committee may consider other criteria when making its decisions.

To be considered for scholarship eligibility, the application must be received no later than April 3, 2010. Applications received after April 3 2010, will not be eligible for scholarship consideration. (No exceptions will be granted.) Scholarship recipients will be announced at the Annual Membership Meeting May 22, 2010.

Information Check List

The applicant is responsible for the following:

- Submitting an application on the approved USU Scholarship Application Form. Application must be received on or before April 3, 2010. Incomplete and/or late forms will not be considered.
- Answering all questions and completing all blanks. Use n/a (not applicable) where questions do not apply.
- Submitting an essay:

Not to exceed 300 words, stating why the applicant wants to pursue or continue his/her education and what s/he hopes to accomplish.

- Submitting high school/college transcript.

- Submitting two (2) letters of recommendation from:
 1. Class teacher/employer who is familiar with applicant (s) prior academic/work performance and/or school activities.and
 2. Community member outside the school/work setting, who is familiar with the applicant (s) prior involvement in community activities.

- Submitting a listing of school and community activities.

- Submitting a completed financial need sheet:

If the applicant wishes to have financial need taken into consideration, a financial statement must be completed.

- Returning all forms to the USU Scholarship Committee Chairperson.

Applications shall include only the information and documents specifically requested. No photos, please.

USU Scholarship Coversheet

School Year _____ E-Mail address _____

Applicant's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip Code _____ - _____

Phone Number (_____) _____

Name and location of school attending _____

Press release information

Parent's Names _____

Parents' place of employment _____

Local Newspaper for press release _____

I hereby affirm that I intend to enter a school of higher education. I understand that I will submit a transcript of at least a C average to remain eligible for the second installment of the scholarship.

Date _____

Signature _____

Application must be received by April 3, 2010 to:

David Sundet
Committee Chairperson
1301 Dale Ave
Madison WI 53705

Note: Mr. Sundet is not a member of the Selection Committee.

Receipt of application will be acknowledged within ten (10) days

School/Community Activities Records

School Activities (Attach additional page if needed):

School Awards/Honors/Achievements:

Community Activities (Attach additional page if needed):

Employment:

Employment Awards/Honors/Achievements:

Personal Achievements:

Essay

Essay should not exceed 300 words and should state why the applicant wants to pursue or continue his/her education and what s/he hopes to accomplish.

Financial Statement

Financial need may be used to select among otherwise qualified applicants

Source and amounts of funds available for year in which scholarship is requested:

Parents contribution: \$ _____

Applicant(s) income: \$ _____

Grants/Scholarships: \$ _____

Other income: \$ _____
