



## **Bethpage Federal Credit Union Foundation 2010 Scholarship Program**

### **Scholarship Eligibility Requirements**

The Bethpage Federal Credit Union Scholarship Foundation will be awarding 10 \$1,000 scholarships to high school seniors graduating in June 2010, and who are accepted for entrance to an accredited 2- or 4-year College or University. The Bethpage Federal Credit Union Scholarship Foundation must receive the attached application, a cover letter from the student describing what they hope to achieve while in college, an essay, and a letter of recommendation **by Friday, May 14, 2010. All materials should be sent to the following address all together in one package:**

**Bethpage Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program  
Scholarship Management Services – Marge Johnson  
One Scholarship Way  
P. O. Box 297  
Saint Peter, MN 56082**

1. Basic Eligibility Requirements: the applicant must (a) have an affiliation to Bethpage Federal Credit Union at the time of application – either as a member themselves or having an immediate family member with Bethpage Federal Credit Union membership (b) be a graduating high school senior going directly to an accredited 2- or 4-year college or university as a full-time student. Employees of Bethpage Federal Credit Union, Bethpage Financial Services, their children and grandchildren and any volunteers are not eligible for the scholarship.
2. The applicant will be scored under the following areas:
  - a) Applicant should have a weighted average of 85 or 3.0 equivalent on a scale of 1-4. Applicant must have school send transcript prior to **Friday, May 14, 2010.**
  - b) Applicant must submit a letter explaining to the committee what the student expects to achieve while in college. The letter will carry equal weight to all other criteria. If the letter does not address the topic, the candidate will not receive points for that category.
  - c) Applicant must submit one letter of recommendation from a non-family member: School District Administrator, teacher, team coach, school organization director, employer, charity leader, etc.



- d) Applicant should provide a listing of participation in school extra curricular activities or sports. Please do not use acronyms.
- e) Applicant should show community involvement and/or work or internship.
- f) Applicant must submit an essay addressing the following topic: Briefly discuss a turning point or the most important moment in your life so far. **The essay should be 300 – 500 words, double spaced, and typed.**
- g) Applicant should provide list of all awards and offices held

Each of the categories (a – f) will be weighted equally – ties will be broken by awards and offices held (g). Final decision will be determined by a board vote.

- 3. College Acceptance: The Bethpage Federal Credit Union Foundation must receive a copy of the acceptance letter from the accredited 2- or 4-year college or university that the applicant will attend in order for the scholarship to be awarded.

#### 4. Deadlines:

- a) All complete applications including cover letter, letter of recommendation, transcripts, essay, and college acceptance letters must be received by the Bethpage Federal Credit Union Foundation by **Friday, May 14, 2010**. Postmark date will prevail. It is the responsibility of the student to make sure that all items are submitted to Bethpage Federal Credit Union Foundation by **Friday, May 14, 2010**. Incomplete packages will not be admissible. Applicants will receive one notice of incomplete packages so they will have the opportunity to forward missing items.
  - b) All scholarships will be awarded within the guidelines established by the Foundation and in accordance with its nondiscrimination policy. Such scholarships will be awarded on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to an applicant's race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, age, or religion.
- 5. The Bethpage Federal Credit Union Foundation scholarship is not affiliated with any other scholarship. Students are encouraged to apply for all other scholarship opportunities.