

# \$587,500 HAVE BEEN AWARDED TO 228 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS SINCE 2001

#### JOHN GARRISON SCHOLARSHIP AWARD -

ACCREDITED TWO-YEAR OR FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY OR TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL SCHOOL IN THE UNITED STATES

The **Shell Federal Credit Union John Garrison Scholarship Awards** were established in 2000 in memory of John Garrison, a dedicated member of the Shell Federal Credit Union Board of Directors. Mr. Garrison served on the Board for over 50 years as a volunteer and his vision and volunteer spirit is still an inspiration for us all. Our hope is that applicants will embrace that same spirit and carry it forward into their own careers and achievements.

## Scholarship Application Requirements

- Completed Application
- Properly Formatted 250-word Essay
- Official Transcript
- Signed John Garrison Scholarship Terms and Conditions
- Minimum GPA of 2.5

# Scholarship Application Deadline

Submit completed application online or return completed application and required documentation to any Shell FCU location or mail to the address below which must be postmarked by <u>Saturday, January 17th, 2026.</u>

Shell Federal Credit Union ATTN: Marketing – John Garrison Scholarship P.O. Box 578, Deer Park, TX 77536-0578

Scholarship applications missing required documentation mentioned above or those with incorrect formatting will be disqualified.

If you have additional questions or concerns, please contact Marketing at 713-844-1100 or send an email to marketing@shellfcu.org.



## JOHN GARRISON SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - STUDENT APPLICATION

Shell Federal Credit U	nion Member/Account Number:	[REQUIRED] Birt	h Date:	
Last Name:	First Na	me:	Middle Initial:	
Street Address:		City:		
State:Zip: _	Phone:			
Email:				
High School:		Graduation	n Date:	
GPA:				
City:	State:			
	dary School:			
	[ ] Two - Year Community Coll	ege [ ] Four - Year Col	lege/University	
i <b>oals</b> [If necessary, you r	nay attach additional pages to complete	your application]		
Share your long-range	personal and career goals.			
Why would receiving t	this scholarship be important to yo	u?		
<b>Essay</b> [Essay must follow	all formatting requirements listed below of	or application will be disqualified.]		
Font: Times New Ron	nan – Size 12 – Black Ink P	age: Double Spaced	Word Count: 250 Word Minimum	

# Please attach a typed essay satisfying all formatting criteria on one of the following topic:

What products, services or educational information should financial institutions offer young adults to better equip them for success? Should this information be offered online, in-person or via social media?

How would receiving this scholarship help you overcome financial barriers to achieve your academic goals?



#### **John Garrison Scholarship Terms and Conditions**

Shell Federal Credit Union offers twenty \$2,500 scholarship awards in memory of John Garrison, a dedicated member of the Shell Federal Credit Union Board of Directors.

#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- 1. Applicant must be a member in good standing of Shell FCU with an individual \$5 membership savings account in his/her name. For membership information visit <a href="https://www.shellfcu.org/About">https://www.shellfcu.org/About</a>. Applicant must be a legal U.S. citizen and physically located in the State of Texas.
- 2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the current academic calendar year, intending to enroll in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university, or planning to attend an accredited vocational/technical school in the United States (collectively "Educational Institution").
- 3. Applicant must demonstrate a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher based on his/her high school transcripts certified by the high school.

### **Application**

- 1. Completed applications can be submitted (i) online or (ii) returned with required documents as stated on the application to any Shell FCU location or (iii) mailed to *Shell Federal Credit Union, Attn: Marketing John Garrison Scholarship, P.O. Box 578, Deer Park, TX 77536-0578*
- 2. Completed applications must be submitted by the published deadline to be considered.
- 3. Late, incomplete, or incorrectly formatted applications (as determined by the Scholarship Committee in its sole discretion) will not be considered and will be disqualified.
- 4. Information provided will be treated as confidential, and no materials will be returned.
- 5. Shell FCU employees are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

#### Selection

- 1. Completed applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee in its sole discretion.
- 2. Recipients of the scholarship will be notified in March and invited to attend Annual Meeting to receive an award, be recognized and participate in a group photo.
- 3. All decisions concerning the scholarship award will be made by the Scholarship Committee in its sole discretion, and all decisions of the Scholarship Committee are final.

#### Distribution

- 1. Recipients will be contacted by phone and sent a letter with distribution instructions from the Shell FCU Marketing Department in March of the awarded year.
- 2. Recipient must notify the Shell FCU Marketing Department in writing of the intended use of funds by August 31<sup>st</sup> of the awarded year.
- 3. Scholarship checks will be sent to the Educational Institution within fourteen (14) days-after the Recipient provides his/her acceptance letter and proof of enrollment, along with the course registration fee statement, student ID, and the correct school address for payments to the Shell FCU Marketing Department. Failure to submit these items may result in processing delays.
- 4. The scholarship monies must be disbursed by May 31st following the year the scholarship was awarded, or the scholarship will be forfeited. It is the sole responsibility of the Recipient to ensure that the scholarship funds are timely disbursed.

#### Miscellaneous

- Taxes. The Recipient is solely responsible for all taxes (federal, state, and local) and for any other fees or
  costs associated with the Scholarship Award funds that he/she receives. Shell FCU reserves the right to
  withhold and deduct such taxes and charges from the Scholarship Award funds, if and to the extent required
  by law. Shell FCU cannot provide tax advice. The Recipient may consult with a licensed tax advisor of his/her
  choice before formally claiming the Scholarship Award funds.
- 2. Governing Law/ Disputes. All issues and questions concerning the construction, validity interpretation and enforceability of the Scholarship Award and/or the rights and obligations of Applicants, Recipients and/or Shell FCU will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of law rules or provisions that would cause the application of any other state's laws. Each Applicant and each Recipient hereby consents to exclusive jurisdiction and venue of the courts located in Harris County, Texas in connection with any action relating to the Scholarship Award.
- 3. **Publicity.** By submitting an application for a Scholarship Award, each Applicant, and each Recipient grants Shell FCU permission to use his/her name, likeness or comments for publicity purposes without payment of additional consideration, except where prohibited by law. All personal information collected will be treated in a manner consistent with the privacy policy of Shell FCU which is located at www.shellfcu.org.
- 4. Release & Indemnity. All federal, state, provincial and local laws and regulations apply. Each Applicant and each Recipient jointly and severally, agrees to and does hereby release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless Shell FCU, the Scholarship Committee, and their respective officers, employees, directors, insurers, agents and representatives and any other persons or entities participating in the design, administration or fulfillment of the Scholarship Award (collectively "Released Parties," singularly a "Released Party") from liability of any kind or nature for any injuries, damages or losses of any kind or any other costs or expenses resulting from or arising, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, related to the Scholarship Award AND in any and all such events, no compensation will be payable, except as specifically provided in Paragraph 5 below.
- 5. Limitation of Liability. BY SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION FOR A SCHOLARSHIP AWARD, EACH APPLICANT AND EACH RECIPIENT AGREES THAT TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW: (1) ANY AND ALL DISPUTES, CLAIMS AND CAUSES OF ACTION ARISING OUT OF OR CONNECTED WITH THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WILL BE RESOLVED INDIVIDUALLY, WITHOUT RESORT TO ANY FORM OF CLASS ACTION; (2) ANY AND ALL CLAIMS, JUDGMENTS AND AWARDS WILL BE LIMITED TO ACTUAL THIRD-PARTY, OUT-OF-POCKET COSTS INCURRED, (IF ANY), NOT TO EXCEED THE TOTAL CUMULATIVE SUM OF TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250.00), BUT IN NO EVENT WILL ATTORNEYS' FEES BE AWARDED OR RECOVERABLE; (3) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY APPLICANT AND OR RECIPIENT BE PERMITTED TO OBTAIN ANY AWARD FOR, AND EACH APPLICANT AND EACH RECIPIENT HEREBY KNOWINGLY AND EXPRESSLY WAIVES ALL RIGHTS TO SEEK PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, EXEMPLARY, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES, LOST PROFITS, AND/OR ANY RIGHTS TO HAVE DAMAGES MULTIPLIED OR OTHERWISE INCREASED; AND (4) THE REMEDIES OF EACH APPLICANT AND EACH RECIPIENT ARE LIMITED TO A CLAIM FOR MONEY DAMAGES (IF ANY) AND EACH APPLICANT AND EACH RECIPIENT IRREVOCABLY WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO SEEK INJUNCTIVE OR EQUITABLE RELIEF. THE FOREGOING IS SUBJECT TO ANY LEGAL LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY.

If over 18, on date signed:			
Applicants Signature:	Date:		
If under 18, on date signed:			
Parent/Guardian Name (print clearly):			
Parent/Guardian Signature:			
Contact Number:	Date:		