

The Program

Santee Cooper Credit Union is proud to promote the credit union philosophy of "people helping people." Our Scholarship Program was established as a way to reach out to the community and help students achieve their goals to further their education by awarding scholarships to help with the cost of tuition and fees associated with attending college, vocational or technical school.

Seven (7) \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors. Scholarship recipients will be notified sometime in May or June 2025. The scholarship will be paid directly to the educational institution the student is attending and will be awarded for the Fall 2025 semester.

Eligibility

- 1. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior at either Berkeley, Timberland, Cross, Cane Bay, Socastee or Conway High School.
 - <u>This year we have an additional scholarship opportunity for a current Santee Cooper Credit</u> <u>Union member. With this category, it does not matter what high school you attend as long as</u> <u>you are a graduating high school senior. This scholarship will also be for \$1,500.</u>
- 2. Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.50.
- 3. Applicant must plan to attend a 2- or 4-year accredited institution, community college, trade school, vocational school or university as a full-time student.
- Applicant must fully complete the Scholarship Application and return it to Santee Cooper Credit Union with all required documents by April 25, 2025. The application will not be accepted if the documents are received after the deadline even if they are dropped off or have a postmarked date of April 25, 2025.
- 5. All family members of Santee Cooper Credit Union officials, volunteers and employees are excluded from eligibility. Family members are defined as a dependent child, grandchild or stepchild.

How to Apply

- Read all instructions completely and thoroughly.
- Fill out the application and submit the following supporting documents:
 - \mathbf{o} An official copy of your most recent high school transcript including your GPA,
 - o Typed Personal Statement,
 - \mathbf{o} A 500-word essay that answers the essay question found in the following application, and
 - A digital photo of applicant (for scholarship announcements) sent to <u>mjones@santeecoopercu.org</u>, Subject: Scholarship Applicant
- Submit the completed application and supporting documents to any Santee Cooper Credit Union Branch or mail to:

Santee Cooper Credit Union Attn: Scholarship Committee 612 Rembert C. Dennis Blvd. Moncks Corner, SC 29461

Questions?

For more information, please contact <u>sccu@santeecoopercu.org</u> or visit our website at <u>www.santeecoopercreditunion.com/resources/sccu-scholarship-program</u>



General Information

First Name		M.I. Last Name			
Address					
City	State		ZIP	Phone Number	

Email Address

Current School Enrollment Information

Applicants must include their most recent official high school transcript.

What high school do you attend? (select one)

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	Berkeley High School		Socastee High School	/
	Timberland High School		Conway High School	
	Cane Bay High School		Cross High School	
 Other (Current SCCU Member attending another high school) 				

GPA (on 4.0 scale)

Anticipated Graduation Date



Educational Plans

Name of College You Plan to Attend

Proposed Field of Study

Personal Statement

Please include a typed Personal Statement that outlines how this scholarship can benefit you.

Essay Question

On a separate sheet of paper, please submit a 500-word essay that answers the following question. Your essay must be typed to be considered. Essays will be evaluated by looking at the following: overall ideas, organization, description, voice and conventions (i.e. grammar, spelling, and punctuation).

The Credit Union philosophy is "people helping people" and at Santee Cooper Credit Union, we want to find ways to give back to the local communities we serve. At present time, those communities are made up of Berkeley and Horry counties. In your opinion, how can Santee Cooper Credit Union provide the most impact to the youth of our communities regarding financial education?

Certification

I certify that all information provided on this application and all supporting documents are accurate and complete. I understand that any misleading or false information will result in my application being disqualified. If selected as a scholarship winner, I give full consent for the use of my name, image and likeness to be used for promotional and publicity purposes. I understand that the decision of the Santee Cooper Credit Union Scholarship Committee is final.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (if applicant is under age 18)

Date



Feedback

How did you hear about Santee Cooper Credit Union's Scholarship Program? (select one)

□ School

□ SCCU Branch

🗆 Social Media

□ SCCU's Website

🗆 Email

□ Other_____

Santee Cooper Credit Union Contact Information

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