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The Shenango Valley Chapter of Credit Unions
in conjunction with



is proud to offer \$500
2026 Continuing Education Awards

For nearly 20 years, we have invested in the educational lives of our young members by offering these scholarships. Applicants must be a member of their credit union prior to submitting an application. Members must be between the ages of 17-24, pursuing post-high school studies at a college, university, or vocational trade school. Applications are available at any of these proud participating credit unions:

- First Choice FCU
- GNC Community FCU
- Grove City Area FCU
- Mercer County Community FCU

Completed applications and essays are due to the credit union offices by **April 10, 2026**. Or they can be mailed to First Choice FCU - RE: SVC Scholarship - 2209 W State Street - New Castle PA, 16101

The winners will be contacted, announced, and posted at the participating credit unions.

We are proud to support the education of our future, the youth of our credit unions. So many of you have supported our efforts to raise money for this worthwhile cause, and we are so grateful for your contributions.

Scholarships now available!



Total number of scholarships
determined by funding

SHENANGO VALLEY CHAPTER OF CREDIT UNIONS SCHOLARSHIP

2026 APPLICATION

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Last Four of SS#: _____

Credit Union that you are a member of: _____

(You must be a current member with an account in your name)

High school or school you currently attend: _____

List post-high school institutions you have been accepted to or will be attending this coming year.

Please mail your completed application by **April 10, 2026** to your credit union or mail to:

FIRST CHOICE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

RE: SVC Scholarship

2209 W. State Street

New Castle, PA 16101

SHENANGO VALLEY CHAPTER OF CREDIT UNIONS SCHOLARSHIP

2026 APPLICATION

Scholarships deemed completed other than by the student will be disqualified.

Applicant's Last 4 of SS# _____ (DO NOT include your name on this or attached pages)

By submitting your application, you are submitting your endorsement to allow the credit union and its affiliates to use your name and likeness (if applicable) to announce you as a winner should your application be selected as an award winner.

- 1.) Please list your community and/or school activities, work, volunteer experiences, or awards you earned. Please limit these experiences to the most recent three years past. Please let us know if you have been recognized for any of these efforts and what you learned from them. 10 Points (Limit to 1 page)
- 2.) Please answer the following essay question, worth 40 points, on a separate sheet, typed, double spaced, with font size no smaller than 11. Please **DO NOT** list your name anywhere on the essay. Please place the last four digits of your social security number on each page in the header or footer of the page. Entries that do not meet these guidelines will be disqualified. (Limit your response to no more than 3 pages.)

How can a credit union membership benefit you during your college or vocational career?
Describe your plan for managing your money during college.
How will you incorporate your credit union's products and services in your plan?