



# PEOPLE'S COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

## The Award

The purpose of People's College Scholarship is to support first-time college students with their career path by offering a monetary incentive to cover qualified college expenses such as Partial Tuition, School Books, School Equipment and Relocation Expenses. The People's Memorial College Scholarship awards two prizes of \$1,000. This scholarship application is open to LES People's FCU members and non-members.

## Eligibility – The applicant:

- Must be a college-bound high school senior at the time of the application,
- Must be attending college for the first time on the fall of 2023,
- Must be enrolled in either a two- or four-year accredited educational institution,
- Must agree to use the awarded funds for qualified expenses before January 31, 2024.

## Application Process

- 1. Complete the Scholarship application. The applicant can submit only one application.
- 2. The completed application must be submitted with:
  - a high school transcript documenting student's GPA for grades 9–11;
  - a typed essay response; and
  - an SAT/PSAT/ACT transcript (if applicable)
- 3. The applicant and his/her parent or guardian must sign the Certification and Release Authorization on the last page of the application form.
- 4. The application, transcripts and essay must be submitted to the credit union by **Friday, March 31, 2023 at 4pm**. If any portion is incomplete or missing, the application will not be considered.

## Selection Process

Judging will be based on both subjective criteria and weighted, objective criteria. These include essay, academic achievements, extracurricular and community activities, etc.

## Receiving Award

Awards will be deposited into the winners' accounts at LES People's FCU. Awards ceremony will take place at the 2023 LES People's FCU Annual Meeting in the spring. Winners are expected to attend.

## Application Deadline

Applications must be sent or drop off at any LES People's branch no later than **March 31, 2023, at 4pm**. Completed applications can also be submitted via email to [connect@lespfcu.org](mailto:connect@lespfcu.org) with subject line SCHOLARSHIP 2022.



## PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This application will not be considered unless all information is completed in full, and all requested documentation is provided. Please type or print clearly, and use only the space provided on this form to answer the questions. Do not use any attachments, resumes, pictures or other material of any kind to answer the questions. Winners will be notified in spring of 2023.

LES People's FCU Member # \_\_\_\_\_

Non-member

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Day of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

High School Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College You Plan to Attend in 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_

### Honors, Awards and Leadership Positions

Please list honors and awards and year(s) of participation. Use this space only. *Examples: honor roll 2018, National Honor Society 2019,2018, Who's Who, Principal's awards, science fair awards, college book awards, student/athlete awards, class officer, club officer, sports team leader, scouting leader, student government officer, band/orchestra 1<sup>st</sup> chair etc.*

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| 2. _____ | 7. _____  |
| 3. _____ | 8. _____  |
| 4. _____ | 9. _____  |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |

### Activities

Please list activities and year(s) of participation. Use this space only. *Examples: sports teams, clubs, band, drama, choral, orchestra, yearbook, school newspaper, tutoring, hobbies etc.*

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| 4. _____ | 9. _____  |
| 5. _____ | 10. _____ |



### Community Activities and Volunteer Work

Please list community activities and volunteer work and year(s) of participation. Do not list one-time activities or events. Use this space only. *Examples: scouting, community service projects, community volunteerism, religious youth groups, youth counseling.*

1. _____	6. _____
2. _____	7. _____
3. _____	8. _____
4. _____	9. _____
5. _____	10. _____

### Paid Employment

Please list each job separately and indicate the year(s) employed. Only jobs requiring more than 10 hours per week should be listed. Use this space only. *Examples: part-time jobs, babysitting.*

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2. _____	7. _____
3. _____	8. _____
4. _____	9. _____
5. _____	10. _____

### Essay

Please use a separate sheet of paper to write the essay. Your response should be typed, between 300–500 words and should include your full name on the top right corner.

Your essay should answer:

**What has been your experience with financial literacy (*experience with money and financial decisions, good lessons you've learned in school, home, social media or from friends that have helped you face financial decisions better*)? What ideas do you have to make a positive change in preparing youth to be ready to face financial decisions better?**

### About Us

Lower East Side People's Federal Credit Union is a non-profit financial cooperative that was organized in 1986 that promotes economic justice and opportunity in NYC neighborhoods. We are owned by our members and dedicated to providing high-quality financial services and community development investments in low-income, immigrant, and other underserved communities.



**Certification and Release Authorization**

The following information must be completed for the applicant to be considered for a scholarship award.

*I certify this information is true, complete and accurate. I also authorize the release of this information to confirm and/or verify this application. I agree to use any scholarship funds awarded at an accredited educational institution by January 31, 2024.*

**Applicant Signature (Student)** \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

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**FOR CREDIT UNION USE ONLY**

**Application Verification**

*I hereby certify that I have received the complete application from the scholarship applicant.*

**CU Officer Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_