



## Suncoast Credit Union Scholars Scholarship Award Collier County 2020-21

### Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

1. Applicants must be a current high school, college bound senior, who is currently attending a public high school, charter school or being home schooled in Collier County.
2. Scholarship recipients must enroll in an accredited Florida 4-year college/university, 2-year college or technical school and begin classes in the 2021-22 academic year.
  - Collier County students only – Scholarship recipients must enroll as full-time student during the term that the scholarship is awarded
3. Must have an overall unweighted grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher on a 4-point scale.
4. Must have completed the 2021-22 Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and qualify to receive a Federal Pell Grant (projected expected family contribution (EFC) between 0 and 5700) to demonstrate financial need. (the 2021-22 FAFSA opens October 1<sup>st</sup>)
5. Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, U.S. permanent resident, or an eligible non-citizen.
6. NOT be Directors, employees, or family members of Directors or employees of Suncoast Credit Union, Members Title Company, Members Insurance Services, Members Trust Company or Suncoast Realty Solutions LLC.
7. Applicants are required to submit one 500 word or less essay that answers the following two questions. The essay must be typed on a separate page using 12-point font and single spaced. Do not include your name, school or any other identifying information.

What are your aspirations for your education?

When you look back on your life in thirty years, what would it take for you to consider this successful?

8. All applications must be received by **5pm on January 15, 2021** at the Champions For Learning office.

### Scholarship Details

1. The scholarship is \$2000. It is a one-year, non-renewable award.
2. Scholarship funds are to be used for tuition and fees required to enroll at and attend an eligible educational institution in Florida.
3. Scholarship funds may also be used for other direct course-related expenses—such as fees, books, supplies, and equipment—provided they are required of all students in the course of instruction. The scholarship cannot be used for transportation, housing, or dormitory costs.

**Scholarship Checklist:** Please ensure that your scholarship application contains all the following items:

- Application with sections A-C completed
- 2021-22 Student Aid Report (SAR) from FAFSA (SAR will be emailed to you 3-5 days after you complete the FAFSA)
- An unofficial high school transcript
- Copy of student's U.S. birth certificate, U.S passport (valid, un-expired), certificate of naturalization (Form N-550) or permanent resident card.
- One 500 word or less essay that answers BOTH of the following two questions. The essay must be typed on a separate page using 12-point font and single spaced. Do not include your name, school or any other identifying information.

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***Scholarship applications are reviewed for completeness and ability to follow the provided instructions. The essay is scored by a community based selection committee which will focus on the following factors word count guidelines, formatting requirements, grammar and direct essay response. Incomplete applications will not be considered.***

The Suncoast Credit Union Scholars Program in Collier County is administered by Champions For Learning



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Applications are due by 5pm on January 15, 2021

Please submit your completed application to Champions For Learning,  
3606 Enterprise Ave, Naples, FL 34104 or fax 239-643-4799

SECTION A: Student Identification Information

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID number (If enrolled in Collier County Public Schools) \_\_\_\_\_

What High School are you currently enrolled in? \_\_\_\_\_

Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street, Apt #

City, Zip

Student Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student Race:  American Indian/Native American  Asian  Black/African-American

Caucasian  Pacific Islander/Hawaiian  Hispanic

Multicultural  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Is student a U.S. Citizen?  Yes  No

Is student a Permanent Non-Resident?  Yes  No

Is student an Eligible Non-Citizen?  Yes  No

**SECTION B: Household Information**

Mother \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, First, MI)

Father \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, First, MI)

Applicant lives with:  Mother     Stepmother     Grandmother     Guardian  
 Father     Stepfather     Grandfather  
 Ward of Court     Other \_\_\_\_\_

Number of brothers \_\_\_\_\_    Number of Sisters \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION C: Employment Information**

Parent/Guardian's Current Employer

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Current Employer

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby certify that the information in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; that the omission of information or submission of false information will void my application for scholarship. I understand that the information contained in this application will be shared with the scholarship selection committee.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

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

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**Questions? Please contact Kaleigh Wells at  
StudentApplications@ChampionsForLearning.org or 239-643-4755**

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