



THEODORE COLOGIE Scholarship

**OUR Credit Union members who are graduating High School:
Class of 2025, are eligible for this scholarship.**

HOW TO APPLY

Complete the application form and return it with the other required documents via email to:

acallahan@ourcuonline.org

Please upload your video presentation to our wetransfer at:

<https://ourmarketing.wetransfer.com>

- OUR CREDIT UNION USE ONLY -

Date received: _____

Application Code: _____

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| OUR Credit Union Account Number: |
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| Name: | |
| Address: | City, State, ZIP: |
| Phone: | Email Address: |
| Date of Birth: | GPA: |
| High School Name: | HS Graduation Date: |
| Are you currently attending post secondary school? | |
| YES | NO |
| School you are attending or planning to attend: | |
| Course of Study: | |
| Future Occupation Desired: | |
| Reference (include Full Name, Phone Number and Email Address): | |
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| Reference (include Full Name, Phone Number and Email Address): | |
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| Signature: | Parent/Guardian Signature: |

Selection will be made without regard to applicant's race, color, ethnic origin, religious beliefs, sex, gender, marital status, or physical ability. Applicant must be a member of OUR Credit Union. Applications must be emailed by April 5, 2025. Applicant agrees to accept the decisions of OUR Credit Union as final. OUR Credit Union employees, board members and their immediate family members are not eligible. OUR Credit Union reserves the right to disqualify applicants who make any misrepresentations on their application or supporting documents. All applications and supporting documents will be kept confidential, become the property of the credit union and will not be returned.

By signing this application, I hereby authorize OUR Credit Union to photograph me and consent to the use of my likeness and video in any and all publications, educational materials, research, advertising, news media, video and Web materials. I understand and agree that such materials shall become and remain the sole property of OUR Credit Union. If applicant is a minor, consent must be agreed to in writing by a parent or legal guardian.

OUR Credit Union membership is open to anyone who lives in Michigan. If you have any questions about membership please contact our Membership Services department at 248.549.3838.

GUIDELINES

OUR Credit Union will grant **three** \$1000 Scholarships to individuals who are part of the graduating Class of 2025. Those who meet the following criteria may apply:

1. Applicant must be a member of OUR Credit Union.*
2. Applicant must be pursuing their education at an accredited institution, trade school, vocational school, community college or university.
3. Applicant must be accepted by the school and plan to be enrolled, at minimum, as a part-time student (6 credit hours).
4. Applicants who have been awarded an OUR Credit Union Scholarship in the past may not apply.

Please include the following items with your completed application:

- One recent letter of recommendation
- Two non-family references (Listed on Application - Name, Phone and Email)
- One 3-5 minute video presentation - see below for details and topic
- List of Community Involvement and School Related Involvement

COMMUNITY & SCHOOL RELATED INVOLVEMENT

Attach a separate piece of paper to complete the following.

Make a list of your involvement in school related and or community activities and volunteer programs.

Please include dates/years involvement and/or hours completed. *Please feel free to include involvement details, such as specific tasks performed and/or any concluding thoughts or impressions of the activities or programs.*

ONE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

The written recommendations can be from a past or present employer, coach, teacher, instructor, counselor, community leader, etc., but must be written by an unrelated adult. The letter should be recent, signed and address why the applicant deserves the scholarship as well as elaborate the applicant's character and accomplishments.

VIDEO PRESENTATION

Selection criteria will include: ideas/content, sentence fluency, word choice and organization. The video should be approximately 3 to 5 minutes long. We will use these videos in a contest on our social media accounts, in which one winner will be chosen to receive an extra \$1000, bringing their scholarship amount to \$2000. Videos must be submitted via our wetransfer link at: <https://ourmarketing.wetransfer.com>

Presentation Topic: In your opinion, what are the three most impactful ways to show support for others in your community?

*All videos and applications must be submitted via wetransfer and via email to: acallahan@ourcuonline.org by Saturday, **April 5, 2025 at 1 pm** (the close of business). Late applications will not be accepted. Incomplete applications will not be considered.*

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***Applicants may not use a guardian's member number.**

The scholarship recipient will be notified by May 9, 2025. This scholarship is available for tuition, books and fees. At OUR Credit Union's discretion, the scholarship will be paid directly to the educational institution the student is attending, the scholarship recipient, or recipient's guardian. The awards will be paid upon receiving a bill or paid receipt.