

## Ted Hitch Scholarship Program

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### Type of Scholarship

The TED HITCH SCHOLARSHIPS are named in honor of the credit union's past president. Ten nonrenewable \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded annually with \$2,500 distributed each semester beginning with the fall term. All scholarship money will be distributed directly to the school and applied toward tuition, books and equipment, fees, room and board, or other related expenses. If the student's total scholarships cover all of these expenses, the school may apply the funds to the following school year's expenses. Should the student discontinue full-time enrollment after the fall term, the remaining \$2,500 will not be awarded. If the student accepts a full ride college scholarship from another source, the student must notify ETFCU and decline the ETFCU Ted Hitch Scholarship.

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### Scholarship Eligibility

Either the applicant or the applicant's parents/guardians must have been members of ETFCU for at least 18 months by the February 28 scholarship application deadline and use at least 3 of ETFCU's services. Use of services provided by ETFCU's subsidiaries (ETFCU Financial Group and ET Shield) do not qualify as membership in the credit union.

Applications will be accepted from graduating high school seniors planning to attend an accredited institution of higher learning as a full-time undergraduate student for at least the coming year. **Applicants should have a minimum 3.75 unweighted GPA (without rounding up) on a 4.0 grading scale or 5.0 on a 6.0 scale at the end of the fall semester of the senior year. Applications that fall below the minimum GPA requirement will not receive consideration and should not be submitted.**

Immediate relatives (children, stepchildren, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, brothers and sisters, and parents) of ETFCU officials, employees, and scholarship committee members are ineligible.

Applications will be reviewed by a scholarship committee appointed by the Chairman of the ETFCU Board. Determination of scholarship winners will be based on the applicants' GPA, SAT and/or ACT scores, financial need, participation in school and community activities, essay, and letters of reference.

If the applicant or his/her parents or legal guardians have caused a financial loss to ETFCU, that applicant will not be considered. If such a loss occurs after the selection process, the scholarship may be revoked.

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### Application Requirements

The following materials are required:

1. The application is to be completed by the student, parents, and school official. **(An accredited transcript with first semester GPA should be submitted by the school official.)** Applications should be typed or printed in ink.
2. A typed essay no longer than two double-spaced pages must be submitted. The essay may be written on any of the following topics:
  - Describe how your family and relationships have influenced who you are today.
  - Describe some of the hardest challenges you experienced while growing up.
  - Explain why this scholarship is important to achieving your future goals.
3. One letter of reference is required. The letter may be from an employee at the applicant's school.
4. A copy of FAFSA's Student Aid Report showing Expected Family Contribution amount.

The application and related materials may be dropped off at any ETFCU branch location or mailed to the ETFCU's Main Office (see mailing instructions in section 4 of the application). **All materials should be received – not postmarked – no later than February 28.** Applicants or their parents may contact ETFCU prior to the application deadline to verify that the application and materials have been received. For verification purposes, contact Cindy Bell at (812) 477-9271 or 1-800-800-9271, Ext. 1220, or by email at [cbell@etfcu.org](mailto:cbell@etfcu.org).

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### Notification and Recognition of Scholarship Winners

The names of the scholarship recipients will be posted on the ETFCU website by March 30. **Only scholarship winners will be notified directly.** Recipients will be recognized at ETFCU's scholarship banquet (date TBA) and in the credit union's newsletter. The names and photographs of winners may be used by ETFCU for public relations purposes.



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# Ted Hitch Scholarship Application

## SECTION 1. This section is to be completed by the student.

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ School Presently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

ETFCU Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle all ETFCU services used by applicant or applicant's parents/guardians.**

*\*Use of at least 3 services is required.*

Checking Account	Electronic Statements	Mortgage Loan	Auto Loan	Personal Loan
Direct Deposit	Credit Card	Certificate of Deposit	IRA/HSA	Money Market Account

Please list any other scholarships and amounts you have been awarded as of this date. If you are unsure you will accept any of these awards, please explain briefly: \_\_\_\_\_

List extracurricular organizations and activities in which you have participated:

*You may attach an additional sheet if necessary to complete the information below.*

Organization or Activity	Number of Years	Awards or Honors

Are you currently employed? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, approximately how many hours do you work per week? \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you working? \_\_\_\_\_

College or vocational school you plan to attend this fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_

Intended course of study (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Career goals: \_\_\_\_\_

References: *(Please provide the name and address of one reference and submit the letter of reference with the application.)*

Name and address: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information in support of your application: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to the releasing of high school transcripts and requested information to the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee. Furthermore, my name and photograph may be used by ETFCU for public relations purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## **SECTION 2. This section is to be completed by the parents/guardians.**

Parents' or Guardians' Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

ETFCU Member Number of Parents *(if members)*: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Household Demographics**

Number of people in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of household members in college *(at least half-time)* for the coming school year: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, give permission to release my child's high school transcripts & requested information to the Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee. Furthermore, my child's name and photograph may be used by ETFCU for public relations purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's/Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## SECTION 3. This section is to be completed by the applicant's school.

### FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Student's High School Diploma or College Program: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the exact GPA without rounding the score. Applicants who fall below the minimum unweighted GPA requirements of 3.75 (without rounding up) on a 4.0 grading scale or 5.0 on a 6.0 scale at the end of the senior year fall semester will not receive consideration and should not submit an application.

Cumulative Un-Weighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ on a scale of \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative Weighted GPA (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ on a scale of \_\_\_\_\_

### SAT/ACT Scores:

Note that you may provide test scores from SAT or ACT tests. Test scores may represent **one test only** of the SAT and ACT. **Do not combine scores from different tests.** The test scores should be provided on or with the transcript.

SAT Reading \_\_\_\_\_

ACT English \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Math \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Math \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Writing/Language \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Reading \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Essay\* \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Science \_\_\_\_\_

**SAT Total Score** \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Writing\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Essay is an optional component on the SAT test. List the essay score if it was included.

**ACT Composite Score** \_\_\_\_\_  
\*Writing is an optional component on the ACT test. List the writing score if it was included.

Name of School Official: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address of School Official: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature and title of school official verifying GPA and scores

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## SECTION 4. Mailing Instructions.

The application materials must be **received**—not postmarked—no later than February 28. The application and related documents may be submitted by the applicant, the applicant's parents or guardians, or the school. **If the materials are submitted by the parents/guardians, note that the transcript should be provided by the school in a sealed envelope.** Please do not staple documents.

Mail to: Evansville Teachers Federal Credit Union, Attn: Cindy Bell, P.O. Box 5129, Evansville, IN 47716-5129 or drop off at any our branch locations. For a complete listing of locations, please visit [www.etfcu.org](http://www.etfcu.org)