

2018 Ben Watson Scholarship

Inspire Federal Credit Union will award the \$1,500 Ben Watson Scholarship to one high school senior in Bucks County who will attend a full time course of study at an accredited two (2) or four (4) year college, university, trade, technical or business school. The recipient will be recognized at the 82nd Inspire Federal Credit Union Annual Meeting on April 26, 2018.

ELIGIBILITY

- The student applying must be a member of Inspire Federal Credit Union.
- The student applying must be a high school senior in a Bucks County high school who plans on attending a full time course of study at an accredited two (2) or four (4) year college, university, trade, technical or business school.

ESSAY TOPIC

"Imagine you are talking to a friend. Explain the value of your credit union membership to them."

- The essay must be typed, double-spaced, and limited to two pages.
- You may instead submit a video essay that is between 30 seconds and two minutes.
- You must upload your video onto a video hosting website such as YouTube or Vimeo and provide the link to the video for submission.

REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must submit the following:

- Completed Application
- Official Copy of High School Transcript
- Letter of recommendation from a high school official (teacher, counselor, advisor, principal, etc.)
- Essay or link to video essay

PROCESS

As applications are received, they will be given to a committee for judging. The committee is comprised of various Inspire Federal Credit Union executives, managers, and board members.

Applications and essays will be scored based on content, mechanics, style, and originality.

DEADLINE

Applications can be dropped off at the Newtown, Bristol, or Langhorne branches of Inspire FCU in a sealed envelope by **March 23, 2018**. Applications can also be mailed to:

*Inspire Federal Credit Union
Scholarship Committee
3 Friends Lane, Newtown, PA 18940*

REMINDER: Applications must have transcript and essay attached or it will not be accepted or considered.

Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____ Account Number _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____ Phone Number _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School _____ Anticipated Graduation Date _____

Name of Institution You Plan to Attend _____

Major/Course _____ Minor (not required) _____

Year You Plan to Graduate from College _____ Have You Been Accepted? Yes No

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

Cumulative Grade Point Average _____

High School Activities:

Awards & Honors:

COMMUNITY SERVICE / EMPLOYMENT

Please list all community service and/or employment.

SPECIAL INTERESTS / HOBBIES

Please list all special interests/hobbies.

Application

By signing below, I attest and affirm that this essay is the result of my own work and reflects my own ideas. I agree to accept the decision of the judges as final. I further agree that the essay submitted for judging purposes will become the property of Inspire Federal Credit Union and that it may be used in whole or part by Inspire FCU at the credit union's discretion. Should I win a scholarship, I agree to use the name and likeness in publication of the contest results and to apply this one time scholarship to a school related expense.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Account Number _____

Applicant Number (office use only) _____