



# Kinecta Youth Scholarship Program Make your higher education dreams a reality.

Kinecta is proud to recognize outstanding students in our communities with our Youth Scholarship Program. Each year, this program helps eight exceptional students attend the college of their dreams by providing them with a \$2,000 scholarship to defray a portion of their tuition expenses.

## **Eligibility & Requirements**

- 24 years of age or younger at time of application
- A high school senior applying for, or has already been accepted as, a full-time student at an accredited college or university
   OR a full-time student continuing at an accredited college or university

To complete the scholarship applications, students are required to:

- Complete a written essay
- · Provide two letters of recommendation, GPA, school transcripts, community involvement and achievements

#### **Evaluation**

Applications will be scored by a Kinecta staff committee based on the following criteria:

Essay	40%
Community Involvement	
GPA*	
Awards & Achievements	
Extracurricular Activities	10%

EXTENDED

#### **Timeline**

- Application period is Sept. 1 Oct. 20, 2025
- Applications must be received by Oct. 20, 2025
- Winners will be notified by December 5, 2025
- Funding will be awarded by August 31, 2026\*\*

## **Application**

- Apply online at kinecta.org/Scholarships2025
- Submit a written essay (minimum 750 words) on this topic: In what ways do you hope to make a positive difference in the lives of others, and what experiences have shaped that goal?



## Get started today!

kinecta.org/Scholarships2025

<sup>\*</sup>Transcripts Required

<sup>\*\*</sup>Unless proof of current enrollment in college/university

#### **Disclosures**

No purchase necessary. Applicant must be 24 years of age or younger at time of application. Selection will be made without regard to applicant's race, color, ethnic origin, religious beliefs, sex, marital status, or physical ability.

Applications will be scored by a Kinecta committee based on GPA, essay (grammar and content will be graded), community involvement, awards, achievements, and extracurricular activities. Transcripts are required. Essay and application must be submitted in English.

Applications must be received by October 20, 2025. Kinecta Scholarship winners will be notified on or around December 5, 2025. All winners must make their school decision final by July 1, 2026 or could forfeit their scholarship. If winner changes schools after they have provided Kinecta their acceptance letter, the winner must notify Kinecta in writing prior to July 1, 2026 deadline or risk forfeiting their scholarship. Funds will be paid directly to the winners' college/university on or around August 31, 2026. Proof of enrollment or acceptance at accredited college or university must be provided by winners.

Each winner agrees to permit Kinecta to use his/her name and likeness in promotional, other Credit Union materials, or third-party websites, without additional compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law.

Applicant agrees to accept the decisions of Kinecta as final. Past Kinecta Scholarship winners, Kinecta and its subsidiaries' employees, volunteers, and their immediate family members are not eligible.

The Credit Union and each of its officers, directors, employees, members, and representatives will in no way be responsible for claims of damages or losses of any kind including direct, indirect, incidental, consequential or punitive damages arising out of applicant's participation in the Scholarship Program, nor any damages arising from accessing or downloading from and/or printing material downloaded from the website.

Applicant also agrees to hold Kinecta, its subsidiaries, and each of its officers, directors, employees, members, representatives, and agents harmless from any liability arising from applicant's participation in the Scholarship Program. If applicant is a minor, consent must be agreed to by a parent or legal guardian. Kinecta is not responsible for stolen, lost, late, misdirected, damaged, incomplete, or illegible applications.

Kinecta 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 property of the Credit Union and will not be returned.