



**Application Instructions for
The Bernard R. Spechalske Scholarship and
The Medina County Federal Credit Union Memorial Scholarship**

The Application Process includes following directions: Please read each instruction carefully. Any material not fully completed as directed and not submitted with the required signature may influence the decision of the Scholarship Committee. All material must be received by the deadline of Friday, March 5, 2010.

The Board of Directors of the Medina County Federal Credit Union established the **Bernard R. Spechalske Scholarship** in 1994, and The **Medina County Federal Credit Union Memorial Scholarship** in 2000, in honor, memory, and recognition of those who have dedicated many years of distinguished volunteer service to the credit union.

PLANNED DISTRIBUTION: \$1,000 for each scholarship will be paid to the institution of higher education as specified by the scholarship recipient. The checks will be issued in both the recipient's name and the institution's name.

The criteria and procedures for applying are as follows:

1. Previous scholarship recipients are not eligible.
2. For the **Spechalske Scholarship**, the applicant must be a senior (12th grade status).
3. For the **Memorial Scholarship**, the applicant must be a full-time student attending an institution of higher learning (college, trade school, etc).
4. **For both scholarships:**
 - A. The applicant (or parent, grandparent or guardian) must **be a current member of The Medina County Federal Credit Union**.
 - B. The applicant must pursue an associate or undergraduate degree in an institution of higher learning.
 - C. The applicant must complete and return the entire scholarship application. A high school student must include a transcript of grades and standardized test results (i.e. PSAT, SAT, ACT, Proficiency Tests, etc.) through the junior year plus a copy of the grade cards for the first semester of the senior year. For the post-secondary student, enclose a transcript from the college/trade school and high school transcript if available.
 - D. At the discretion of the Scholarship Committee, a personal interview may be requested.
 - E. The applicant must use the scholarship during the academic year immediately following the acceptance of the scholarship. If the scholarship is not used by June 30 of the following year, it will be forfeited.



APPLICATION FORMAT FOR BOTH SCHOLARSHIPS

APPLICATION DUE MARCH 5, 2010

1. Please **type A-J statements plus your answers on a cover sheet** for your application:
 - A. Applicant's name
 - B. Address
 - C. Home telephone number
 - D. Date of birth
 - E. Name, relationship and account number of qualifying member
 - F. Name of parent(s) or guardian
 - G. Name of current high school or college/trade school
 - H. Name and telephone number of guidance counselor or college advisor
 - I. Please indicate in **capital letters** the name of the scholarship for which you are applying.
 - J. Please sign your cover sheet, in ink, on the bottom and be certain that your name appears on each sheet of your application. Your signature indicates that all composition in this application is your **own**.
2. Write an essay, including a title, why you feel you **deserve** this scholarship. Type in **double space** format, not exceeding 500 words.
3. On a separate page from the essay, please type at least one paragraph to answer each of the following statements: **Type each statement at the beginning of each response.**
 - A. List your extra-curricular activities, work experience, volunteer service, and hobbies/interests.
 - B. Explain your future career/personal goals.
 - C. List special awards you have received or achievements you have accomplished.
4. **Do not staple the applications and do not fold them!**
5. Hand deliver your application to either branch or mail it to:

**MEDINA COUNTY FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1010
Wadsworth, OH 44281-0910**

NOTE: The Summit Chapter of the Ohio Credit Union League, to which MCFCU belongs, offers two \$1,000 scholarships and one \$1,500 scholarship. The application forms are available at our offices or on line at our web site. The deadline for application is Feb. 12, 2010. If you are a winner, your application may be chosen to participate in the statewide scholarship program sponsored by the Ohio Credit Union Foundation, which awards five \$2,500 scholarships.