



P.O. Box 6849 Warner Robins, GA 31095

2017 Official Information and Guidelines:

Any member who will graduate from high school in 2017, and who will be attending a college, university, or vocational school in 2017, is eligible. Other conditions that must be met include:

1. Applicants must have turned in their **completed** M.E.S.T. Scholarship Application Packet by Noon, Friday, March 24, 2017. Applications will be **disqualified** if a complete application packet is not received by the deadline. **No Exceptions.**
2. Applicants must provide an Acceptance Letter from a College, University, or Vocational school.
3. Applicants must provide a complete copy of the FASFA Student Aid Report. If not available the applicant may use a completed copy of their parent(s) or guardian(s) 2016 Income Tax Statement. *Previous year's income tax statement will not be accepted.*
4. Applicants must submit a copy of their most recent high school report card. *A photocopy or print out of an online transcript is acceptable. Does not have to be an official transcript.*
5. Applicants must complete the Activities & Achievement Form provided by Robins Financial Credit Union. *This information must be given on the form provided, in the space provided. Additional pages, resumes, portfolios, etc will not be considered.*
6. Applicants must submit two letters of recommendation. The letters should not be from the applicant's family member, but other members of the community. (Examples: teachers, managers, pastors, etc.) *Letters should not be submitted in envelopes. Please remove any envelopes and include letters, unfolded, in your packet.*
7. Applicants must submit a typed one-page essay answering the following questions: What does financial responsibility mean to you and how do you manage your finances? How will receiving your college degree help improve your financial future and how can Robins Financial Credit Union help you achieve your financial goals?
8. Applicants **MUST** have a Robins Financial Credit Union account in their name. You may NOT use a parent/guardian's account. The account must be opened for a minimum of 6 months and be in good standing.

Any applications that are received after the deadline or incomplete applications (missing any of the above content) will not be accepted or considered. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** All applicants will be notified of their selection status, by mail, no later than Monday, April 10, 2017.

Scholarship winners will be requested to attend an awards banquet. Scheduling and RSVP information for this event will be included in your winner packet upon notification.

Scholarship applications may be obtained from any Robins Financial Credit Union branch online at www.robinsfcu.org or by calling the Credit Union at 478.923.3773, locally or toll free 800.241.2405.

Completed Scholarship applications can be emailed (*in one PDF document, other formats or multiple attachments will not be accepted*) to scholarship@robinsfcu.org, dropped off at any Robins Financial Credit Union location, or mailed to:

Robins Financial Credit Union – Marketing Department
RE: M.E.S.T. Scholarship Application
P. O. Box 6849
Warner Robins, GA 31095-6849

*Printed packets should not include bindings of any kind such as staples, folds, binder clips, etc. Please leave paper loose.

Five \$4,000 scholarships of \$500 per semester will be awarded. Anyone in the following counties is eligible to open an account at Robins Financial Credit Union: Baldwin, Bibb, Bleckley, Clarke, Crawford, Dodge, Emanuel, Houston, Jeff Davis, Jones, Laurens, Macon, Monroe, Oconee, Peach, Pulaski, Putnam, Taylor, Telfair, Twiggs, Wilkinson Counties. Scholarship recipients must maintain a "B" average on all schoolwork to receive yearly Scholarship funds. If the recipient's grade point average falls below a "B" or 3.0 the student has 2 semesters or 1 year to bring their GPA up or the remainder of the Scholarship will be forfeited.