



About our Program...

Alliance knows that educational opportunities can increase our members' chances for enjoying financial security in their lives. Our annual scholarship program recognizes outstanding students for their achievements and provides future opportunities to those who are serious about learning and continuing their education.

Alliance will award three \$5,000 scholarships this year as part of our continuous support of higher education. To date, Alliance Credit Union has awarded more than \$100,000 in college scholarships since the program's inception in 1997. Instructions on how to apply are included inside this application.

Questions? Call us at (636) 343-7005, option 0 or email us at talktous@alliancecu.com.

Thanks for applying!



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6250 Howdershell Rd.
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St. Louis, MO 63136

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O'Fallon, MO 63366

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5530 Fyler Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63109

Wentzville
12450 Veterans Memorial Parkway
Wentzville, MO 63358



2026 Scholarship Application



Apply Today!

Eligibility

Alliance members, their children and grandchildren are eligible. Each applicant must be a high school senior planning to be a full-time college student, or a full-time college student during the 2026/2027 school year. To ensure fairness in the judging, Alliance employees, officials, and their immediate family members are not eligible, nor are past Alliance scholarship recipients.

Scholarships to be Awarded

Alliance will award three \$5,000 scholarships this year. Scholarship funds will be paid to the university in the student's name.

Selection and Presentation

Judging will be completed by a panel consisting of employees and will be based solely on a review of the application information. There is no grade point average or college test score to qualify. Winners will be notified in March.

How to Apply

- 1. Complete the Application
- 2. Choose to do either a written or video essay on the following topic: If you had the authority to change your community in a positive way, what specific changes would you make and what steps would you take to make them?

Selected essays may be used by Alliance Credit Union for internal or external publication.
- 3. Write why you need the scholarship: Describe any personal or family circumstances affecting your need for financial assistance. If you do not need financial assistance, please tell us why you are a good candidate. This part of the application can be completed by video if you choose. No preference will be given to either format.
- 4. Submit all required information to:
Human Resource Department, Alliance Credit Union, 1280 S. Highway Dr., Fenton, MO 63026 –

ATTN: Scholarship Committee or they can be emailed to **scholarships@alliancecu.com**.

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- 5. Application must be received by Friday, February 27, 2026 and late applications will not be accepted.

Dennis J. Sommer Scholarship for Excellence in Education
Brought to you by Alliance Credit Union



Applicant Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Phone: (____) ____-____ Date of Birth ____/____/____ E-Mail _____@_____

Complete each statement that applies:

- ☐ I'm an Alliance member - Account # _____
- ☐ My parent/grandparent is an Alliance member; his/her name is _____
Account # _____
- ☐ I am a high school senior at: _____
- ☐ I am a college student at: _____
If currently in college, list high school and date of graduation: _____

My parent(s) work at or retired from:

I plan to attend the following school (name and city) during the 2026/ 2027 academic year

and I **Have / Have Not** been accepted by that school (circle one).

The major I plan to pursue is: _____

I have included the following with this application:

- ☐ **Completed Essay:** By submitting an essay, I acknowledge that Alliance Credit Union will use selected essays for internal or external publication, and I grant permission to use my essay, photo, or other information for these purposes.
- ☐ Describe reason why you need financial assistance **or** why you are a good candidate.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____