

# Roger E. Early

## Memorial Scholarship

The Roger E. Early Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of Roger E. Early, former President/CEO of Northern Star Credit Union that retired in December of 2022 and passed away in May of 2023. Mr. Early effortlessly balanced his intelligence with a deep sense of family commitment. Within his 23 years of dedicated service, he expanded our vision as a financial institution. Under his leadership the credit union was able to convert from Navy Yard Credit Union that solely provided financial services to shipyard workers and their families to opening our field of membership to serve all of Hampton Roads and transformed into Northern Star Credit Union. His view of higher education was aligned with his strong work ethic and ambitions nature. This scholarship is a way to continue his legacy in education striving for academic excellence while giving back to the community.

*"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." ~ Nelson Mandela (1918 - 2013)*



### Eligibility:

- \* Senior in high school;
- \* Planning to attend a 2 or 4 year college in Fall 2026;
- \* Applicant or parent/guardian with an active Northern Star Credit Union account.

### Based upon:

- \* Academics
- \* Extra-curricular activities
- \* Community involvement
- \* Financial need

Turn in completed application to Northern Star Credit Union NO LATER than February 27, 2026.

5100 George Washington Hwy Portsmouth, VA 23702 or email to [marketing@nstarcu.org](mailto:marketing@nstarcu.org)

**\$1,000 Roger E. Early Memorial Scholarship**  
**Awarded by Northern Star Credit Union**  
Application Due Date: February 27, 2026  
Please Return with an Official Copy of Your Transcripts

**Section I – Applicant Information**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number of Northern Star Credit Union Member \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship of Member to NSCU Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Father/Male Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother/Female Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Total Household Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_

List all other dependents in your household (*Use additional paper if necessary*)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

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## Section II – Educational Information

### A. High Schools attended

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Attended \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Dates Attended \_\_\_\_\_

### B. Colleges you have applied to (Use an additional form if necessary)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure \_\_\_\_\_

### Section III – Honors and Extracurricular Activities

#### A. School-related Activities

*(Clubs, SCA...etc.)*

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years Involved</u>
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#### B. Community and Other Related Activities

*(Church groups, charity work...etc.)*

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years Involved</u>
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#### C. Awards and Honors

<u>Award or Honor Received</u>	<u>Year Received</u>
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#### D. Other – Use the space below to list anything else that does not fit into one of the above categories

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## Section IV – Essay Questions

*Please answer the following question on a separate sheet of paper. Essay must be between one and two typed, double-spaced pages.*

- A. What is the most challenging obstacle you have faced and how did you overcome it?

## Section V – Certification

I certify everything I have stated and reported in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge at this time. I understand Northern Star Credit Union, Inc. will retain this application and its enclosures whether or not I am successful in receiving a grant. I am in agreement that if I am chosen to receive this scholarship, I will allow Northern Star Credit Union, Inc. to use my name, photograph, or likeness in regard to the scholarship without additional compensation. If I should refuse any part of this scholarship, or do not attend an institution of higher learning within the next year, I will then agree to forfeit any possible claim to the scholarship money. I further understand that if I am chosen to receive a grant, I will be ineligible to re-apply for any future monies awarded by the credit union. I agree that the decision of Northern Star Credit Union Scholarship Selection Committee will be final.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*(Applicable only if applicant is under 18)*

### Application Checklist

- Included High School Transcript
- Sign and date last page
- Attach essay from Section IV
- Attach list and brief description of all Honors and Extracurricular activities
- Include any additional information you might find beneficial for us to know
- **Deadline – February 27, 2026**