



Division of CFCU **Community** Credit Union

WALTER BAZYDLO MEMORIAL \$1000 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Any graduating high school senior, or full-time college student at an accredited degree granting institution, who is a student member of CORE, a Division of CFCU Community Credit Union, may apply for this award. A number of \$1000 scholarships will be granted based on financial need and the academic performance of the applicant.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please give complete and specific answers to all questions.
2. All information on the application must be complete and accurate in order to be considered. Failure to provide any required information or documentation may disqualify the applicant from consideration for the scholarship award.
3. All applications must include a transcript of the applicant's most recent grades received and class rank. High school seniors applying for the award should include their grades through their most recent marking period at the time of application.
4. All applicants must select one teacher or counselor to complete the attached reference form.
5. All applications must be returned to: CORE, a Division of CFCU Community Credit Union, Attention Scholarship Committee, 7200 Kirkville Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057. **Application must be postmarked no later than March 20th, 2023.**

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: (____) _____ Social Security #: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Credit Union Account #: _____

School Now Attending: _____

Name of Institution You plan to Attend: _____

Annual Tuition Cost: _____ Room & Board Expense: _____

Do you plan to work this summer? Yes: _____ No: _____

If Yes, where? _____

Are you a previous recipient of a Walter Bazydlo Scholarship Award? _____

If so, please provide the year of your award _____

HONORS & AWARDS:

Please list any specific honors and/or awards you have received that you wish the scholarship committee to be aware of, including any scholarships recently awarded:

Please list any Extra Curricular and/or Community Service Activities you are now or have been involved with, please include the dates of your involvement:

Employment: Please list any current or former jobs you have held and the dates of employment:

FAMILY INFORMATION

Father's Name: _____

Address: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address (if different): _____

Number of other Dependents in Household: _____

List of ages of Dependent Children: _____

Are other Children attending college? _____

If so please list name and school attending? _____

Annual Household Income: _____

If other college students reside in the household, please provide the annual tuition, and room and board costs for each student:

Please list the total dollar amount including scholarships, grants and student loans provided for any student noted above: _____

Are there any special financial circumstances that you feel the scholarship committee should be aware of?

Whether it is students being pressured to go to college right after high school, tuition costs that continue to rise and/or are or unattainable, or students and families not able to plan or save enough for college, many young adults are starting their lives in major debt. What do you propose would help to alleviate this issue?

I have completed the information on this application and the attached response for the Walter Bazydlo Memorial Scholarship. I certify that this information is accurate and correct and want my son/daughter to be considered for the Walter Bazydlo Memorial Scholarship Award, coordinated through CORE, a Division of CFCU Community Credit Union.

Parent Signature _____

Date: _____

INTERESTS & GOALS

Please take this space below to briefly describe some of your personal interests and goals, as well as your longer-term academic and career goals.

ESSAY QUESTION:

Please write an essay responding to the topic and questions below. Essay responses should be between one and three single-spaced, typed pages. Please attach your essay to the back of the scholarship application.

Some have said that the United States as a nation is as divided as it has been since the Civil War. A record voter turnout for the November 2020 Presidential election saw over seventy million voters cast their ballot for each candidate, and the candidates represented quite different policy views for the country.

There is a growing tendency to label groups and individuals that we disagree with (liberal, socialist, reactionary, bigot, etc.) and a sense of division and isolation has only increased during a crippling pandemic. There seems to be a real lack of interpersonal communication that involves listening to those we may disagree with. People often talk past or shout at each other, including our elected governmental representatives, instead of working together to reach collaborative outcomes and compromises.

Please address the following questions in your essay:

1. Why do you feel that the country is so polarized?
2. On a personal level, why has respectful communication about peoples' differences of opinion become so difficult?
3. What can be done to create better dialogue among people who disagree and suggest some ways that would help to reduce divisiveness in our country.

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Applicant Signature _____ Date: _____

Teacher/ Counselor Reference Form

STUDENTS NAME _____ Date _____

Dear Counselor or Teacher,

The above-named student is applying for a Walter Bazydlo Scholarship Award through CORE, a Division of CFCU Community Credit Union. Each applicant must submit a recommendation from a guidance counselor or from a teacher as a part of the application process for this award. Since these awards are competitive, and based upon academic performance and financial need, we ask that you not only complete the summary of the Student's abilities listed below, but also add appropriate comments that you feel would help the scholarship committee in reaching a decision on this candidate. Please note: this application must be completed and signed by you in order for the applicant to be considered for the scholarship award

(Please rate the student in the following 8 categories by circling the response which best fits your observations about this applicant)

Participation in Class Discussion

- a. Always involved, often initiates
- b. Usually participates
- c. Seldom participates
- d. Not applicable

Critical Thinking and Attitude

- a. Analyzes well/ challenges assumptions
- b. Occasionally skeptical
- c. Sometime probes for information
- d. Not applicable

Involvement In Classroom Activities

- a. Very high in all activities
- b. Active, usually shows genuine interest
- c. Mild, politely attentive
- d. Languid, attention often wanders
- e. Distracted, does other things during class
- f. Vacillates greatly

Depth of Understanding in classroom

- a. Excellent insight
- b. Good understanding
- c. Some insight
- d. Little insight
- e. Poor understanding
- f. Not applicable

Pursuit of Independent Study

- a. Considerable study and major project (s)
- b. Considerable study and major project (s)
- c. Some study or minor projects (s)
- d. No evidence of independent study

Personal Responsibility for behavior

- a. Always accepts responsibility
- b. Usually accepts responsibility
- c. Partially responsibility
- d. Blames others for behavior

Consistency of Performance

- a. Exceptionally consistent
- b. Generally consistent performance
- c. Slightly uneven performance
- d. Inconsistent performance
- e. Erratic, performance fluctuates greatly

Consideration for Others

- a. Always considerate of others' rights
- b. Usually considerate
- c. Little evidence of consideration
- d. Often inconsiderate

Comments:

Signature: _____

Date: _____