



For the 2025/2026 school year, NuVista Federal Credit Union is offering three (3) scholarships of \$1,200 each for students who are pursuing post-secondary education in a college, university, or technical school located in the United States.

**Application deadline is March 31, 2026.** Applicants will be chosen on or before May 1, 2026.

## Eligibility Requirements

- The NuVista Federal Credit Union Scholarship is open to all High School Seniors that will be graduating in the spring of 2026 and entering an accredited college, university, or technical school in the fall of 2026. Graduating seniors must be a NuVista Credit Union member or live in the same household as a NuVista Credit Union member. (More details in next bulleted item.)
- The NuVista Federal Credit Union Scholarship is open to its members (or family members living within the same household of a member) whose accounts are in good standing and have not caused the credit union a loss.
- Applicants receiving other scholarships are still eligible to win a NuVista Scholarship.
- NuVista Federal Credit Union employees, officials, and immediate family members are **NOT** eligible to win awards through the NuVista Scholarship.

## Award Disbursements

- The intended use for the NuVista Federal Credit Union Scholarship is tuition, books and/or other fees associated with enrollment into an accredited college, university, or technical school.
- The scholarship funds will be dispersed to the college of choice **after documentation of enrollment is submitted to the credit union**. Examples of Documentation include: a schedule from the school, receipt of payment or any other form of enrollment.

## Notification

- Scholarship winners will be notified no later than May 1, 2026. The Scholarship Committee's decisions are final, and the scholarships are non-transferable.
- NuVista Federal Credit Union reserves the right to use all applicants' names, photographs, and essays in promotional material. If you are chosen for a NuVista Scholarship, you agree to submit a photograph to be used in publicizing the scholarship program.

# Application Instructions

- The following documents will need to be included with your application:
  - Transcript
  - Resume
  - One letter of recommendation Please include one letter of recommendation from a sibling/step sibling/or friend who has personal knowledge of you and can contribute a sense of your personality, achievements, moral stature, or attributes to tell the committee **why they think you should be awarded this scholarship**. The letter must be at least 150 words.
  - Essays (Include both essays in one document)
- The application deadline is March 31, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. MST
- Incomplete applications WILL NOT be reviewed by the Committee

Please scan and send your application and required attachments to [scholarships@nuvista.org](mailto:scholarships@nuvista.org), mail to NuVista Scholarships, PO Box 1085, Montrose, CO 81402 or bring by the nearest NuVista Branch location in Montrose or Gunnison. Montrose: 2711 Commercial Way, Montrose, CO 81401; Gunnison: 205 N. Sydney Street, Gunnison, CO 81230.

If you have any questions about the scholarship, please send an email to [scholarships@nuvista.org](mailto:scholarships@nuvista.org) or call [\(970\) 249-8813](tel:(970)249-8813).

# Applicant Information

*\*Signifies that it is a required field.*

**Full Name\***

**Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy)\***

**Phone Number\***

**Email\***

**Mailing Address\***

**City\***

**State\***

**Zip\***

***Physical Address (if different from Mailing Address)***

**City**

**State**

**Zip**

**Parents' Name(s)/Legal Guardian Name(s) (first and last names please)\***

**Address (if different from applicant)**

**City**

**State**

**Zip**

**NuVista Member #\***

**NuVista Member Name\***

**High School (you are graduating from)\***

**Accepted Colleges/Universities (Please list the school that you have decided to attend. If you have not made a decision, then list the schools that you have been accepted to.)\***

**Course of Studies/Degree and Career Plan(s)\***

### **Transcript**

Please include a copy of your most recent transcript.

### **Resume**

Please include a copy of your resume. Your resume should include information about 1. Honors or academic awards you have received, 2. Your employment history (if applicable), 3. Extracurricular activities you are involved in, like school organizations and athletics, and any leadership positions you have held (by year), and 4. Community service involvement including hours and a description of the tasks involved.

### **Letter of Recommendation**

Please include one letter of recommendation from a sibling/step sibling/ friend/peer who has personal knowledge of you and can contribute a sense of your personality, achievements, moral stature, or attributes to tell the committee why they think you should be awarded this scholarship. The letter must be at least 150 words.

## Essays

Please include a document with your essay answers.

Answer Essay Question #1 **AND** Essay Question #2. You should have a total of two essays that you should submit as one document. Please include your name at the top of each page of your document.

Essay Question #1 What does financial literacy mean to you, and how has it influenced your understanding of personal responsibility and decision-making? Reflect on how financial knowledge impacts your daily life and future goals. (Minimum 750 words)

Essay Question #2 Who are you? (Minimum 500 words)

## Checklist

Please make sure that your application is complete before you submit it to NuVista Federal Credit Union. All applications must include ALL items shown on the Scholarship Application Checklist below. Applications must be received by 11:59 p.m. on March 31, 2025.

You, or an immediate family member who lives in the same household as you, have an account with NuVista Federal Credit Union that is in good standing and has not caused the credit union a loss.

All required questions have been answered and any applicable, relevant information is provided.

You have included your most recent High School Transcript.

You have included a copy of your resume.

You have included one Letter of Recommendation from sibling/half-sibling/friend/peer.

You have included a single document with two answered Essay Question #1 and Essay Question #2. Your name is on the top of each page of the document you included.

Your application is signed and dated by both you and a parent/legal guardian (if applicant is under the age of 18 years). See below.

Signature of Applicant\* \_\_\_\_\_

Date\* \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

**Thank you and Good Luck!**

**Applicants will be chosen on or before May 1, 2025.**

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