



## 2019 Meridian Trust College Scholarship Guidelines and Selection Criteria

Enter to win one of two, \$1,000 Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union College Scholarships being awarded for the 2019-2020 school year.

### Who is Eligible to Apply?

- Applicant must personally be a member of Meridian Trust FCU.
- Applicant must attend a university or college in the fall of 2019.
- Important Note: You do **not** have to be a first-year student to apply!

### Who is *Not* Eligible to Apply?

- Meridian Trust FCU employees **and** their family members
- Non-members
- Meridian Trust Board members and their families
- Meridian Trust Supervisory Committee members and their families

### How do I Apply?

Create a short video answering one of the following two questions below:

- **If you could create a charitable organization for your community, what would it be? Why is this something your local community needs?**
- **Discuss an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.**

***Entry deadline is midnight Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.***

1. Your video should be between 3 to 5 minutes in length.
2. Post your video to *YouTube*. Do not tag it or put Meridian Trust Federal Credit Union or Scholarship in the name.
3. Fill out the online form on our website.

Winners will be notified by April 24th.

**Scholarships:**

Two separate \$1,000 Scholarships (\$2,000 in total) will be awarded to qualified individual applicants. The scholarships can be used towards tuition and/or expenses at your university or college. Each scholarship will be awarded as a check made payable to the applicable institution with instructions to the financial aid office to obligate half of the scholarship for the fall 2019 and half for the spring 2020 semesters. No transfer, postponement, or substitution of award is permitted by recipient. Acceptance of a scholarship constitutes permission to use recipients' names, likeness, and entries for promotional and advertising purposes without further compensation.

**Judging:**

Judges will score the entries based on the following criteria: quality of response to question (60%); creativity, originality and overall entertainment value (30%); and video quality (10%). We want scholarship applicants to have some fun with this! Decisions of judges are final.

**Parent/Guardian Consent (if applicant is under age 18):**

As parent (or legal guardian), I hereby grant permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Meridian Trust FCU 2019-2020 Scholarship application and selection process. I have read the requirements and give my consent for my son/daughter to apply and participate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If under age 18, please complete the above, then scan and submit through the online Scholarship Application.