



2020 Scholarship Applicant Criteria. STUDENT ELIGIBILITY:

1. Exemplify qualities of leadership, dedication and commitment in school, at home and in the community.
2. Qualify for one of the following scholarships:
 - a. Ben DeFelice: Be the primary account holder of an NWFCU account for the past year.
 - b. CIRA: Be the daughter, son or grandchild of an active duty or retired CIA employee and be the primary account holder of an NWFCU account.
 - c. Financial Awareness Network (FAN): Be the primary account holder of an NWFCU account for the past year and live in the prescribed area of Northern Virginia.
 - d. Need Based: Be a student who can demonstrate strong financial need, have a letter of recommendation from either Mobile Hope or Second Story, and must have applied for a NWFCU account
 - e. CTE: Be a student who is pursuing a Career and Technical Education training program, have a letter of recommendation from either Mobile Hope or Second Story, and must have applied for a NWFCU account.
3. Be accepted into a full-time associate or undergraduate degree program for the 2020/2021 academic year (Ben DeFelice, CIRA FAN) or be accepted into at least a part-time undergraduate or CTE program (Need-based and CTE)
4. Apply online beginning December 2, 2019 through March 15, 2020 at Noon (12:00 PM) EST.

SUBMIT:

1. A complete application will include the following:
2. All questions answered thoughtfully and completely.
3. If selected as a finalist, applicant agrees to submit the following:
 - a. Transcript(s) (Ben DeFelice, CIRA, FAN)
 - b. Acceptance and/or Enrollment Letter (Ben DeFelice, CIRA, FAN)
4. For Applicants with special handling requirements, please call 703-925-5043 to discuss submission method.

NOT ELIGIBLE TO APPLY:

1. Volunteer officials (*directors, associate directors and committee members of the Board of Directors*) of NWFCU and its [subsidiaries and affiliates](#).
2. Vice-Presidents and above of NWFCU and its [subsidiaries and affiliates](#).
3. Employees of NWFCU Foundation.
4. [Immediate family members](#) of all of the above.
5. Past recipients who received a scholarship through NWFCU Foundation.

VALUE:

The Ben De Felice, CIRA, FAN and Need-Based scholarships are valued at \$5,000 per academic year. CTE scholarships are valued at \$2,500 per year. Funds must be used for tuition and approved educational expenses.