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# 2010 iQ Credit Union Endorsement Scholarship Application

## Endorsement Scholarship Available for Educators

The iQ Credit Union Scholarship Committee will select a currently employed educator for this \$1,000 scholarship. The employee must be seeking an endorsement in a shortage area as defined by Washington State’s Professional Educator Standards Board (PESB). The PESB names these as endorsement shortage areas in the Educator Retooling Program: Secondary Mathematics, Any Secondary Science Area, Middle Level Math, Middle Level Science, Bilingual Education, English as a Second Language and Special Education. This information can be viewed through PESB’s website at [www.pesb.wa.gov](http://www.pesb.wa.gov).

### Current Employment:

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Name of Employer (both district and school name)

Job Title

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Please list the area of endorsement you are seeking

### Personal Information:

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Applicant’s Name

Email Address

Applicant’s Credit Union Account Number

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Permanent Address

City, State, Zip Code

U.S. Citizen Y/N

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Telephone

Social Security Number

### Certification and Release Authorization

I certify this information is true, complete and accurate. I authorize release of information to confirm and/or verify this application. I agree to abide by the decisions of the iQ Credit Union Scholarship Committee and understand that the decisions of the Committee will be final and not open to contest. If I am awarded the scholarship, I hereby grant iQ Credit Union permission to use my student identification number or social security number for use of dispersing funds.

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Applicant’s Signature

Date

## Requirements

1. This application form completed.
2. Attach **ONLY two** recommendation forms from professional references: for example, instructors, academic counselors, employers, etc. One reference must be from a recent instructor or academic counselor.
3. **Attach no more than one page, typed on one side, describing your educational goals. Essay must have 12pt font, be double-spaced, typed on one side, and have 1" margins (top, bottom, and sides).** Educational Goals must state the reason you made this career choice, the qualifications you feel you have and how you plan to meet the cost of your education. The goal statement must also address why you have decided to pursue endorsement or licensure in your chosen shortage area.
4. **Attach no more than one page, typed on one side, outlining by year the requested information listed:** List your top five accomplishments within the last four years in chronological order. These five achievements can include honors, awards, leadership and extracurricular school, civic or volunteer activities. Explain how long you participated in these activities, how each accomplishment benefited you and how they prepared you for the future. Longevity of accomplishments will be considered in the final evaluation. Essay must have 12pt font, be double-spaced and have 1" margins.
5. You must be a voting member (first person listed on the account) of iQ Credit Union *before* application is made for a scholarship.
6. Applicant is responsible to turn in all components by the due date. Failure to comply with any of these requirements will result in disqualification, and the application will not be considered.

## Eligibility

All existing voting members of the Credit Union are eligible. Anyone that lives, works, or attends school in the state of Washington is eligible to apply for the scholarship – however, only those people who have joined the Credit Union will be considered. Family members are eligible regardless of their residence. The applicant must be the voting member on the account (first person named) to be considered. Recipients must use the scholarship to attend a licensed/certified program. Credit Union employees, board members, supervisory committee members and their children are ineligible to apply for said scholarships.

## Selection Process

Applications will be reviewed and judged by a committee of Credit Union members. The primary intent of the Committee is to assist an employed educator seeking an endorsement in a high need area. Financial need is not a criterion; but if an educator is already a winner of a full scholarship where further award will not be meaningful, application should not be made. Scholarship applications in each area will be pooled and judged against one another. Life experience will be a contributing factor. The scholarship recipient is selected without regard to race, color, religion, marital status, national origin, veteran status, sex, or handicap. Finalists may be interviewed. All decisions of the Committee are final. The Committee will evaluate your application on content, overall appearance, grammar and neatness.

## **This Application is due by March 13, 2010 to:**

Attn: Jen Vera  
iQ Credit Union  
PO Box 1739  
Vancouver, WA 98668-1739

Scholarship applications that are being mailed or delivered to a branch office of iQ Credit Union must be received by March 13, 2010. *No deadline exceptions.* If you want to receive notice of scholarship winners, please attach a self-addressed and stamped envelope, otherwise notification will be provided in our Financially Speaking newsletter and at [www.iQcu.com](http://www.iQcu.com).



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# Endorsement Scholarship Recommendation Form

\*\*Submit *only two* recommendation forms from professional references such as a supervisor.

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle the points, which represent your evaluation of the applicant. If you have no fair basis for judgment, do not hesitate to say so.

Motivation, Energy & Initiative	No Basis for Judgment	Circle Score									
		Low					High				
Originality		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Leadership		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Self-Confidence		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Warmth of Personality		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Sense of Humor		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Concern for Others		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ability to React Positively to Setbacks		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Respect Accord by Peers and/or Co-workers		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Please make a written statement regarding how this applicant has exceeded your expectations as a student or an employee. A Letter of Recommendation may be attached, limited to one page.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

School or Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

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