

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK

112 State Street - Suite 1310 - Albany, New York - 12207 -(518) 463-1162

DEPARTMENT DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship of \$1,000 shall be awarded to an eligible candidate planning to further his/her higher education. When awarded, the scholarship will be paid directly to the school in two installments, in accordance with payment of first semester and second semester tuition and other costs. THIS SCHOLARSHIP MAY BE USED CONCURRENTLY WITH ANY OTHER SCHOLARSHIP.

RULES

1. Candidates for this award shall be daughters, granddaughters, great-granddaughters, sons, grandsons, or great grandsons of veterans who served in the Armed Forces during WW1, W.W.II. the Korean Conflict, Vietnam War, Grenada/Lebanon, Panama and the Persian Gulf.
2. Applicant must be a United States citizen and a resident of New York State.
3. Applicant must be a senior or a graduate of an accredited high school.
4. Each Auxiliary Unit may submit ONE application by March 15, 2009, to the County Education Chairman. Units are responsible for verifying all necessary information submitted by the applicant. The County Education Chairman will forward all Unit entries that qualify to the Department Chairman on or before March 25, 2009.
5. Selection will be made on the following basis:
 - a) Basis of Need - 20% Actual need of financial assistance to continue higher education.
 - b) Character- 30% High standards of conduct, keen sense of right, adherence to truth and conscience, strength of character, devotion to church and daily duties,
 - c) Americanism - 20% Fine ideals, love of country, ability to accept citizen's responsibilities.
 - d) Leadership - 10% Ability to lead and to accomplish through group action, personal magnetism, guidance and thought of others.
 - e) Scholarship - 20% Scholastic attainment with rating in class, evidence of industry and application in studies.
6. The Department Education Chairman will appoint a committee of impartial judges for final judging.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Completed application form.
2. A certified copy or photocopy of applicant's high school grades.
3. Four (4) letters of recommendation: One from the principal or guidance counselor of the school in which the applicant is enrolled; one from clergy of choice or other church affiliate; and two from representative citizens, other than relatives, attesting to the character, industry, Americanism, leadership and scholarship of the applicant.
4. A statement of applicant's volunteer work.
5. Certification of acceptance and/or a letter from the college stating date certification will be received from the school he/she plans to attend.
6. Original article. written by applicant, consisting of no more than 500 words, on "Why I choose to further my education."
7. **APPLICATION MUST BE SIGNED BY BOTH THE APPLICANT AND THE UNIT PRESIDENT AND EDUCATION CHAIRMAN OF THE SPONSORING UNIT. ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SPONSORING UNIT NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2009.**



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Note: This application must be submitted to the sponsoring unit no later than March 1st.

Name of Applicant Telephone Number

Street Address City State Zip Code

Name of Parent Address (if different from above)

Name of Veteran providing eligibility Relationship to Applicant

Branch of service of veteran Dates of Service

Name of Applicant's High School Date of Graduation

Name of College Applicant plans to attend Course of Study

Street Address City State Zip Code

Total Family Income Number of Dependents Under 18 Number of Dependents over 18

Signature of Applicant Date

Signature of Unit President Signature of Unit Education Chairman

Unit Name and Number County District

THIS APPLICATION MAY BE REPRODUCED FOR ADDITIONAL COPIES