



American Legion Apple Valley Post 1776 Educational Scholarships

Apple Valley Post 1776 Educational Scholarships are awarded to deserving sons or daughters, grandsons or granddaughters, nephews and/or nieces of a Post 1776 Member (current or current upon death) who are in need of financial assistance to continue his/her secondary level education. Secondary education includes accredited Vocational, Business, College or University. This scholarship is paid directly to the institute of higher learning for tuition, books and other scholarly fees in the amount of \$1,500.

To be eligible for these scholarships, the applicant must be related to a Post Member that served on active duty in the Armed Forces for any duration after December 7th 1941. The applicant must also agree to allowing Post 1776 to use the applicants name, as necessary for internal communications, correspondence to the applicant's institute of higher learning and tax and accounting purposes.

The Apple Valley Post 1776 Educational Scholarship process is divided into two-steps.

Step Number One:

A candidate for these scholarships must be:

- a.) a resident of the State of Minnesota
- b.) a high school senior, with a good scholastic record and an average grade of at least a "C" or better.
- c.) of good character with ambition to continue his/her education.

Applications must include:

- 1) a letter from the superintendent, principal, or counselor, of the school now attending, regarding scholastic record, aptitude, and ambition,
- 2) a letter from a business contact, clergy, or professional person (not a relative) with whom you have been associated,
- 3) a brief essay from the applicant telling of his/her plans for higher education, career goals, extracurricular and community activities, and the need for financial assistance.
- 4) a copy of high school grade transcripts.



Applications must be submitted to the Apple Valley American Legion Scholarship Committee in an email to Chris Hoffman at Hoffmanc62@gmail.com or through the United States Postal System, American Legion Apple Valley Post 1776, C/O Legion Scholarship Chair, 14521 Granada Drive, Apple Valley, MN 55124. The application and all required documentation must be received no later than the last day of April. Please contact Chris Hoffman at 763-772-8667 if you have any questions.

Scholarship will be awarded on the information shared in the application process, personal need and with consideration given to applicants with a strong desire to continue his/her education, an ability to succeed, a worthy career to be pursued and in honor of the Member related to Post 1776. The decisions of the scholarship selection committee will be final.

Step Number Two:

Once the Apple Valley Post 1776 Educational Scholarship Committee approves an individual's Application, the Committee Chair will correspond to the applicant by email and request the following information prior awarding any funds:

1. Letter of Acceptance from the accredited Vocational, Business, College or University,
2. Vocational, Business, College or University, Student Identification Number
3. First Quarter and/or Semester copy of registered course work,
3. The Vocational, Business, College or University student billing address where the Scholarship check should be mailed.

Information in this second step should be mailed via USPS or sent by email to the undersigned in a timely fashion such that the scholarship award can be directed to the appropriate recipient/department.

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