



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP  
2020 APPLICATION**

Fifteen scholarships, in the amount of \$5,000 each, will be awarded for 2020. Three scholarships will be awarded in each of the five divisions of the American Legion Auxiliary. All are gift scholarships; not loans.

**RULES**

1. Candidates for this award shall be daughters, sons, grandsons, granddaughters, great-granddaughters, or great-grandsons of veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces during eligibility dates for membership in The American Legion: April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918; and any time after December 7, 1941.
2. Applicants must be in their senior year of high school.
3. This is a scholarship to attend an accredited institution of higher education.
4. Applicant must complete 50 hours of volunteer service within the community during his/her high school years. Hours must be verified in writing by the recipient organization(s).
5. Applicants must present the completed application to their **local American Legion Auxiliary Unit President ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2020.**
6. Judging, at all levels, shall be on the following basis:

Character/Leadership	25%
Essay/Application	25%
Financial Need	25%
Academic Achievement	25%

**THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.**

7. The award will be paid directly to the school for the first semester upon notification from the school that the student has registered. ***American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters must receive certification of enrollment within 12 months of a winner's notification or the scholarship will be forfeited.*** The scholarship must be used within 24 months of the date the winner receives notification by National Headquarters, or the scholarship will be forfeited. Thus, if the winning student does not wish to use monies for FIRST-YEAR expenses, it must then be used for SECOND-YEAR expenses or forfeited.



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**Name of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of father, or guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual gross income: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of mother, or guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual gross income: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent children under 18 years \_\_\_\_\_ over 18 years \_\_\_\_\_ Grade levels \_\_\_\_\_

Total monthly compensation, pension or trust received by parent and/or children \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Are you eligible for, or are you drawing, Social Security payments? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If so, monthly amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Time limit of benefits \_\_\_\_\_

Are you eligible for benefits under Survivors and Dependents Education? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Veteran: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Military Service: \_\_\_\_\_



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**Please answer the following questions on a separate paper  
and attach it to your application.**

1. Why would receiving this scholarship be important to you? Please explain.
2. What is your proposed date of graduation from high school?  
What college or university do you hope to attend?  
What course of study do you plan to pursue and why?
3. Describe your involvement in school, church and community activities.
4. Why do you think United States' patriotic organizations, such as the American Legion Auxiliary, are important to the world today?

**NOTE: Please attach to this application all required materials listed on the following page and submit everything as one document to the president of the American Legion Auxiliary unit in which your membership is recorded.**

**NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2020.**



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**APPLICATION PACKET REQUIREMENTS**

1. Completed application packet for the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship.
2. The following four letters of recommendation are required:
  - a. One letter, from either the principal or guidance counselor of the school from which the applicant will graduate, to include size of class; student's position in the class; and the cumulative grade point average or your homeschool equivalent.
  - b. One letter from a clergyman/clergywoman of the applicant's choice.
  - c. Two letters from adult citizens — other than relatives — attesting to the applicant's character in regard to conduct, citizenship and leadership.
3. An original essay consisting of no more than 1,000 words (typed, double-spaced). The title of the essay will be **"Why is it important that the American Legion Auxiliary helps to care for the health and well-being of our veterans, military, and their families?"**
4. A letter from recipient organization(s) verifying 50 hours of voluntary service during high school years.
5. A certified transcript, or photocopy of the certified transcript, of the applicant's high school grades.
6. A copy of ACT or SAT test scores.
7. A copy of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form, or a copy of the FAFSA Summary Report and Confirmation Page, or the FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR).
8. A brief statement of the military service of parent or grandparents, including the branch of service and dates of service, or a photocopy of parent's or grandparent's discharge papers.
9. Please be sure to attach all these required materials to this application and submit the application and the materials to the President of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit in the community in which you residewhere you live **NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2020.**



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**THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SUBMITTING UNIT**

**(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)**

EACH UNIT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION IN THE APPLICANT'S PACKET.

1. Judging, at all levels, shall be on the following basis:

Character/Leadership	25%
Essay/Application	25%
Financial Need	25%
Academic Achievement	25%
2. No unit may enter more than one candidate in the Department competition.
3. The selected entry for each unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and Unit Secretary or Unit Education Chairman
4. The selected entry for each Unit should be forwarded to the department secretary, for competition at the state level, to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2020.**
5. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all units.
6. Should an entry be received and no unit affiliation is available, then the application should be judged in the Department Headquarters Unit.

Unit Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Unit President*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Unit Secretary or  
Unit Education Chairman*



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**THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
(STATE LEVEL)**

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EACH DEPARTMENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION IN THE APPLICANT'S PACKET.

1. Judging, at all levels, shall be on the following basis:

Character/Leadership	25%
Essay/Application	25%
Financial Need	25%
Academic Achievement	25%
2. Each department is restricted to submitting one candidate to the division level competition.
3. The selected entry for each department shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Department President, and the department secretary or department Education chairman.
4. The selected entry for each department shall be forwarded to the respective division Education chairman for competition at the national level, so it's received **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2020.** Contact information for the Division Education Chairmen is located in the Education Annual Supplement to the Programs Action Plan, located on the Education program page in the Members Only section at [www.ALAforVeterans.org](http://www.ALAforVeterans.org).
5. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all Departments.

DEPARTMENT \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Department President*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Signature of Department Secretary or  
Department Education Chairman*

The Division Education Chairman and two qualified judges shall make the final decision on the three division winners. The Division Education Chairman shall certify the names of the winners and send their complete application packets to the National Education Chairman **on or before April 15, 2020.** The National Education Chairman shall certify the names of the winners to National Headquarters.