

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP  
2019**

Fifteen scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 each will be awarded for 2019. 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, great-grandsons of veterans who served in the armed forces during eligibility dates for membership in The American Legion:
  - a. April 6, 1917 through November 11, 1918 (WWI)
  - b. December 7, 1941 through December 31, 1946 (WWII)
  - c. June 25, 1950 through January 31, 1955 (Korea)
  - d. February 28, 1961 through May 7, 1975 (Vietnam)
  - e. August 24, 1982 through July 31, 1984 (Grenada and Lebanon)
  - f. December 20, 1989 through January 31, 1990 (Panama)
  - g. August 2, 1990 to the date of cessation of hostilities (Persian Gulf to present)
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, 2019.**
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 winning student does not wish to use monies for FIRST YEAR expenses, it must then be used for SECOND YEAR expenses or forfeited.

## 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 **"How can education, both private and public, help prevent homelessness in our country, particularly that of our veteran population?"**
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 to the president of the American Legion Auxiliary unit in the community in which you reside **NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2019.**

**This scholarship must be sent to Department by an Auxiliary Unit.**