



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP
2021 APPLICATION**

Fifteen scholarships, in the amount of \$5,000 each, will be awarded for 2021.
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, 2021.**
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 the winning recipient'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, they then must be used for SECOND-YEAR expenses or forfeited.



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APPLICATION PACKET CHECKLIST

- Completed application packet for the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship.
- The following four letters of recommendation are required:
 - 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 homeschool equivalent.
 - One letter from a clergyman/clergywoman of the applicant's choice.
 - Two letters from adult citizens — other than relatives — attesting to the applicant's character in regard to conduct, citizenship, and leadership.
- Letter from recipient organization(s) verifying 50 hours of voluntary service during high school years.
- Certified transcripts, or photocopy of the certified transcripts, of the applicant's high school grades.
- Copy of ACT or SAT test scores.
- 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).
- A brief statement of the military service of parent or grandparent, including the branch of service and dates of service, or a photocopy of parent's or grandparent's discharge papers.
- Please answer the following questions on a separate paper and attach it to your application.**
 1. Please explain why receiving this scholarship would be important to you.
 2. Why do you think United States' patriotic organizations, such as the American Legion Auxiliary, are important to the world today?
 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?”**

Please be sure to attach all of the required materials to this application
and submit the application and materials to the
American Legion Auxiliary unit in the community where you live
NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2021.



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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: _____

Mobile: _____

Occupation: _____

Annual gross income: _____

Name of mother, or guardian: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Mobile: _____

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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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?

Describe your involvement in school, church, and community activities.

I understand that by signing this application, I agree that my name and likeness, and/or essay, may be used for marketing purposes and in ALA media.

Signature of Applicant

Print or Type Full Name



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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 Committee chair.
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, 2021.**
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.

Date Application Received:

Unit Name and Number:

Address:

City, State, ZIP:

*Signature of Unit Secretary or
Unit Education Committee Chair*

Signature of Unit President



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

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

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 Committee chair.

4. The selected entry for each department shall be forwarded to the respective division Education Committee chair for competition at the national level, so it's received **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2021.** Contact information for the division Education Committee chair is located in the Education Committee Annual Supplement to the Programs Action Plan, located at www.ALAforVeterans.org.

5. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all departments.

Date Application Received:

DEPARTMENT:

DIVISION:

*Signature of Department Secretary or
Department Education Committee Chair*

Signature of Department President

The division Education Committee chair and two qualified judges shall make the final decision on the three division winners. The division Education Committee chair shall certify the names of the winners and send their complete application packets to the national Education Committee chair **on or before April 15, 2021.** The national Education Committee chair shall certify the names of the winners to ALA National Headquarters.