



THE AMERICAN LEGION
Department of Florida

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Student must be a direct descendant (child, grandchild, great-grandchild or an adopted child) of a **veteran who meets one of the following requirements:**
 - Is a member in good standing of The American Legion
 - Is a U.S. veteran who is eligible to be a member of The American Legion
 - Is a deceased U.S. veteran who would have been eligible for membership in The American Legion
2. The student must also be in their *senior year* of a Florida high school or home school.
3. The scholarship may be used only for undergraduate study at an accredited U.S. college or university.
4. The 1st and 2nd Place winners will be invited to attend our Department Convention to receive their scholarship and award plaque. All other scholarship recipients will receive their scholarships via mail.
5. **Submissions must be TYPED:** You can download the application at floridalegion.org/programs-services/scholarships.

REQUIREMENTS:

Attach to this application a **PHOTOCOPY** of the veteran's Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (Form DD-214) **OR** other documents showing **time served on active military duty during eligibility period(s) as indicated on page 2 of this application.**

Attach to this application a **LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION** from your school or community.

DEADLINE:

All applications must be **received by March 1st** of the current school year.

****Any applications received after March 1, will NOT be accepted****

Submit Application to:

The American Legion Dept. of Florida
Attn: Scholarships
PO Box 547859
Orlando, FL 32854-7859

If you have any questions, please contact Programs Director Bekki Boarman
at 800-393-3378 ext. 235 or programs@floridalegion.org



Florida American Legion GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION: **Must be Typed.** Do not attach any documents or additional pages to this application, except as required. **All other documents or added pages will be discarded.**

FULL NAME:

MAILING ADDRESS:

CITY:

STATE: Florida

ZIP CODE:

TELEPHONE:

DATE OF BIRTH:

E-MAIL ADDRESS:

I AM THE (circle):

Child

Grandchild

Great-Grandchild

Adopted Child

Adopted Grandchild

Adopted Great-Grandchild

OF (VETERAN'S NAME):

who served on **active duty** during one or more of the following periods of war. Check the appropriate war period:

_____ World War I - April 6, 1917 - November 11, 1918

_____ December 7, 1941 - Present

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**High School Record: This section to be completed by high school official.
This section does NOT have to be Typed**

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

UNWEIGHTED GPA: _____ WEIGHTED GPA: _____

CLASS RANK: _____ EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SAT SCORE: _____ ACT SCORE: _____

Signature of School Official _____ Date _____

Print clearly name and title _____

CERTIFICATION

If I am selected as a scholarship winner, I give The American Legion Department of Florida permission to use my name and photo in announcing and promoting this scholarship program. I understand that the Department Selection Committee is solely responsible for the selection of the scholarship winners and its decision is final. I have completed the scholarship application and have attached the veteran's verification document. In submitting this application, I certify that the information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information will result in termination of this Scholarship.

Student Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

CLUBS/ ACTIVITIES:

Please list all clubs and activities you have participated in at school and/ or in your community. Make sure to list the number of years you have been involved in each club/ activity (Example: Band – 4 years, Cross Country – 2 years):

OFFICES/ HONORS/ AWARDS:

List any offices held and honors and/or awards that you have received in the clubs and activities you listed:

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1) WHAT CAREER DO YOU PLAN ON PURSUING WHEN YOU ENTER POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION? WHY?

2) WHY ARE YOU SEEKING A HIGHER EDUCATION?

3) HOW WILL YOUR AREA OF STUDY CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR IMMEDIATE OR LONG-RANGE CAREER PLANS?

4) DESCRIBE ANY "COMMUNITY SERVICE" ACTIVITIES YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN DURING YOUR HIGH SCHOOL CAREER.

5) WHAT DO YOU CONSIDER TO BE THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT SOCIETAL PROBLEM? WHY?

6) PICK AN EXPERIENCE FROM YOUR OWN LIFE AND EXPLAIN HOW IT HAS INFLUENCED YOUR DEVELOPMENT.

MEDICAL & NURSING STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

Submit applications to The American Legion, Dept of Florida, Attention Programs; P.O. Box 547859, Orlando, FL 32854-7859 or email to programs@floridalegion.org.

MEDICAL SCHOOL

One scholarship award of \$2,750.00

Eligibility: A candidate must be: A U.S. Citizen or permanent Florida resident. A student in an accredited Florida medical school or medical program. Must have completed at least one year of study.

Deadline: April 1 of current school year.



NURSING SCHOOL

One scholarship award of \$2,750.00

Eligibility: A candidate must be: A U.S. Citizen or permanent Florida resident. A student in an accredited Florida nursing school or nursing program. Must have completed at least one year of study (if program is shorter than two years, then student must be halfway done with their program to apply).

Deadline: April 1 of current school year.

FLORIDA SCHOLARSHIPS

The American Legion, Department of Florida offers many scholarship opportunities for High School Students, which are focused on Veteran and Military influences.



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DEPARTMENT OPPORTUNITIES



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GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP

1st \$2,500 | 2nd \$1,500 | 3rd \$1,000 | 4th-7th \$500

Eligibility: Student must be direct descendant, i.e., child, grandchild, great-grandchild, or a legally adopted child of a member in good standing of The American Legion, Department of Florida, or a deceased U.S. veteran who would have been eligible for membership in The American Legion. Student must be in his or her senior year and attending a Florida high school, parents must be Florida residents.

Deadline: March 1 of current school year.



EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR

1st \$2,500 | 2nd \$1,500 | 3rd \$1,000 | 4th \$500

Eligibility: Must have earned Eagle Award and religious emblem, must be a high school student and Florida resident, must be in a troop chartered to an American Legion Post or the child or grandchild of a Legion/Auxiliary/Sons Member or have a parent eligible to join The American Legion, Department of Florida.

Deadline: March 1 of current school year.

JROTC CADET OF THE YEAR

1st \$2,500 | 2nd \$1,500 | 3rd \$1,000 | 4th \$500

Eligibility: Student must be enrolled in Florida high school and member of Air Force, Army, Marine, Navy or Coast Guard JROTC, parents must be Florida residents, must be in senior year of school, and must be chosen by JROTC commanding officer. Only one application per JROTC unit will be accepted.

Deadline: March 1 of current school year.



JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS

Sporter & Precision Individual State Winners - \$500 plus an additional \$500 if they advance to the Qualification Round.

Sporter & Precision Team State Winners - \$500

Eligibility: Must be member of JROTC shooting team who is registered with the Junior Shooting Program at The American Legion National Headquarters.

Deadline: January 15 of current school year.



HIGH SCHOOL ORATORICAL CONTEST

1st \$2,500 | 2nd \$1,500 | 3rd \$1,000 | 4th-6th \$500

Eligibility: Student must be enrolled in state accredited high school program in grades 9-12. Parents must be Florida residents. This is a speech contest.

Application: No application necessary. Contact local American Legion Post to enter or Department Headquarters for assistance.

Deadline: Students begin at the Post level contest and progress to the State finals. The State finalist will compete in the National competition in Michigan.



BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP

1st \$1,000 | 2nd \$500

Eligibility: Student must be in senior year of high school or have graduated high school. Must be part of a team affiliated with an American Legion Post and on a current roster filed with National Headquarters.

Deadline: July 15 of current year.

