

**West Virginia American Legion Auxiliary
Department Scholarship
2018-2019
Education and Scholarship Grant**

Purpose

To assist direct descendants of West Virginia Veterans, who are in need, to attend college or a school of higher education.

Description

The Department of West Virginia shall award four (4) scholarship grants annually to applicants who meet specific criteria. Each grant of \$500.00 per academic grant must be used for the payment of tuition and necessary fees only. The scholarship grant must be renewed annually with a letter of enrollment and cannot exceed a total of four awards—or a total of \$2,000.00

When a scholarship recipient (s) fails to renew his/her award (leaving that scholarship grant open), the \$500.00 scholarship grants (s) may be awarded to another qualified applicant.

Eligibility

Applicant must be a resident of West Virginia, under 22 years of age when applying for first grant. Must be a high school graduate or in graduating class when applying.

Must demonstrate financial need in order to qualify.

Must achieve qualifying score on Scholastic Aptitude Test for the College Entrance Examination Board of West Virginia Colleges except if the applicant wishes to pursue some other career such as Beauty Culture, Nursing, etc.

Must have 16 credits of A, B, or C grades in last five (5) semesters of high school and must maintain a “C” average to be considered for renewal of grant. Copies of grade transcripts must be submitted to Department Scholarship Chairman each year to be considered for renewal.

Application Procedure

1. Application must be submitted prior to **March 1, 201** to **Unit President or Unit Scholarship Chairman** for thorough investigation as to actual financial need before presenting to Department for consideration.
2. A certified transcript or photocopy of the applicant’s high school grades.
3. Be prepared to submit a Parent’s Confidential Financial Statement as evidence of financial need.
4. Apply for admission to college or university of your choice in state of West Virginia **Only**.
5. A copy of ACT or SAT test scores.
6. A brief statement of the military service a direct descendant, including the branch of service and dates of service, or a photocopy of discharge papers.

Application must be submitted to the Unit President of the American Legion Auxiliary in your community in which the applicant resides on or before **March 1, 2019**.

1. Name of Applicant _____
2. Home Address _____
3. Phone Number _____ Date of Birth _____
4. Name of Parent or Parents by which applicant is eligible _____
Living _____ Deceased _____ Divorced _____
5. Brief statement of Military Service of veteran including branch of service and dates of service, a photocopy of veteran's DD 214. _____

6. Family Income _____ Mother _____ Father _____
7. Children in Family under 18 _____ Over 18 _____
8. Date of Graduation from High School _____
9. Location _____ Number of Credits _____
10. Rank in Class _____ Grade Average _____
11. Your choice of college or school of higher learning and course of study in West Virginia _____

12. Describe your involvement in school, church, and community activities. Use attachment if necessary. _____

13. Information as to need of scholarship (use extra sheet of paper if needed)

Print or type full name

Signature of Applicant

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSORING UNIT
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

The winning entry of each Unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and Unit Secretary or Education Chairman and mailed to the **Department Education Chairman Kim Lamb, 658 A Stratton St. Logan WV 25601**; to be received **on or before March 15, 2019**. Should an entry be received and no Unit affiliation is available, then the application should be judged by the Department Chairman.

Unit Name and Number _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____

Signature of Unit President

Signature of Unit Secretary or Education Chairman