



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
SCHOLARSHIP FOR NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS
2017-2018**

One scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 will be awarded in each division of the American Legion Auxiliary. All are gift scholarships and not loans.

RULES

1. Applicant must be a current member of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, or Sons of The American Legion and shall have paid dues for the two preceding years and for the calendar year in which application is made.
2. Applicants must be:
 - a. a non-traditional student returning to the classroom after some period of time in which his/her formal education was interrupted
 - b. a non-traditional student who is just beginning his/her education at a later point in life
3. American Legion Auxiliary Spirit of Youth Scholarship recipients are not eligible.
4. Applicants must present the completed application to their **local American Legion Auxiliary unit president ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2018.**
5. Judging, at all levels, shall be on the following basis:

Character/Leadership	25%
Initiative/Goals	25%
Financial Need	25%
Scholarship	25%

THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.

6. 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 Non-Traditional Student Scholarship.
2. Copy of applicant's high school or college transcript, if applicable.
3. Applicant's work history, if applicable.
4. A copy of the applicant's FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), or a copy of the FAFSA Summary Report and Confirmation Page, or the FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR).
5. Please be sure to attach other 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, 2018.**



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2017 -2018 APPLICATION**

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone No. _____ (Home) _____ (Cell)

Date of Birth _____

I am a member in good standing of:

_____ AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

_____ THE AMERICAN LEGION

_____ SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Member # _____ Date of Enrollment: _____

Name of veteran through whom applicant is eligible for membership:

Relationship to Veteran _____

Attested: _____

(PostAdjutant/Unit Secretary)

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

Date applicant graduated from high school: _____

Attach copy of high school transcript (if graduated in the last 10 years).

Has applicant attended college? Last attended: _____

Attach copy of college transcript. (mo/yr)

If it has been more than five years since applicant has attended school, submit work history.



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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Applicant's Adjusted Gross Income \$ _____
(AGI: Form 1010 – Line 31; 1040A – Line 6e; 1040EZ – Line 4.)

List support or income from any other sources:

Number of dependents: _____

Describe any circumstances that may affect your or your family's ability to provide for your college education. (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

CHARACTER/LEADERSHIP

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Describe any community service activities in which you have participated during high school, college or career.

List offices held and/or awards received:



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INITIATIVE/GOALS

What major do you plan to pursue when you enter college? _____

Why have you selected this major? _____

What college or university do you plan to attend? Name _____

City _____ State _____

Why did you select this school? _____

Who or what inspired you to seek a college degree? _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

NOTE: Please be sure to attach other 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, 2018.**



THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSORING 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%
Initiative/Goals	25%
Financial Need	25%
Scholarship	25%
2. No unit may enter more than one candidate in the department competition.
3. The winning entry for each unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary unit president and unit secretary or unit Education chairman and forwarded to the department secretary to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2018.**
4. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all units.
5. 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*



THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT (STATE)

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

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

Character/Leadership	25%
Initiative/Goals	25%
Financial Need	25%
Scholarship	25%
2. Each department is restricted to submitting one candidate to the division competition.
3. The winning entry for each unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary department president and the department secretary or department Education chairman and forwarded to the respective division Education chairman to be received **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2017.**
4. 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 winner. She shall certify the name of the winner and send their complete application packet to the national Education chairman **on or before April 15, 2018.** The national Education chairman shall certify the names of the winners to National Headquarters.