

SCHOLARSHIPS FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION

The American Legion Legacy Scholarship is awarded to the children of fallen post-9/11 servicemembers or post-9/11 veterans who are VA-rated at 50% or higher disability.

The American Legion awards the Eagle Scout of the Year a \$10,000 scholarship. Three \$2,500 scholarships are awarded to other outstanding Eagle Scouts.

Scholarships based on leadership and sportsmanship are awarded to selected participants in The American Legion Baseball Program.

Winners in The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program each receive a \$5,000 college scholarship provided in part by The American Legion and Sons of The American



Legion. The American Legion Auxiliary awards a \$1,000 college scholarship to the second-place finishers.

The American Legion Oratorical Contest winner receives an \$18,000 scholarship. Second place receives \$16,000, and third place receives \$14,000. State winners receive a \$1,500 scholarship. High school students are eligible to compete, and local deadlines vary. Competition begins at the local post level and advances to a state competition. State winners move on to compete at the national level. Visit www.legion.org for more information.

For information on scholarship and educational opportunities, visit us at www.ALForVeterans.org or www.legion.org.

For more information on any of the programs listed in this brochure, contact your local American Legion Auxiliary unit at:



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Scholarships for veterans,
their families and our members

Scholarship Opportunities



In the Spirit of Service Not Self
for Veterans, God and Country



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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP

Many of America's 1.9 million children of warriors are in need of financial assistance to further their education. The American Legion Auxiliary offers 15 \$5,000 scholarships to high school seniors who are direct descendants of U.S. wartime veterans. To learn more about eligibility, visit www.ALAforVeterans.org.

SPIRIT OF YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS

Five scholarships in the amount of \$5,000 each are awarded annually to Junior members of the American Legion Auxiliary. Current ALA Junior members who are high school seniors and who have been Junior members for the past three years are eligible to apply. Visit www.ALAforVeterans.org for more information.

NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship helps people who are part of The American Legion Family pursue a college degree later in life or allow them to pick up where they left off when their studies were interrupted. Five scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each are awarded annually.

DEPARTMENT AND LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Additional scholarships are offered in each ALA department (state) and through many local ALA units and Legion posts. More than \$1 million is awarded every year. The amount, deadlines, and qualifications vary; contact the local American Legion Auxiliary unit in your area for more information.



JAMES H. PARKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

A significant scholarship is awarded to a deserving high school student who has volunteered at least 100 hours in the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs healthcare system during the past year. This scholarship is awarded annually at the VA Voluntary Service (VAVS) meeting in the spring. The Auxiliary contributes annually toward this scholarship. Eligibility information can be found at www.volunteer.va.gov/ParkeScholarship.asp or by contacting your local VAVS office.

SAMSUNG AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIPS

ALA Girls State and The American Legion Boys State citizens who are direct descendants of wartime veterans have the opportunity to apply for this scholarship. More than a quarter million



dollars is awarded annually to ALA Girls State and Legion Boys State citizens nationally. Visit www.legion.org for more information on applying and eligibility requirements.

AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP FAQs

Where and when is the scholarship application to be turned in?

ALA scholarships should be submitted by March 1 every year to a local American Legion Auxiliary unit.

What happens to my scholarship application after I submit it to my local American Legion Auxiliary unit?

If your application is selected by the unit as its winning entry, it then moves on to be judged at the state level. If the application is selected there, the entry is then submitted to the national Auxiliary division for judging.

How do I find out if I am a national scholarship recipient?

All national scholarship recipients will be notified via postal mail by May 15. Winners' names will also be posted on the national website at www.ALAforVeterans.org.



PARTNERS IN EDUCATION

The American Legion and the National Education Association partnered to establish American Education Week more than 90 years ago. Today, the American Legion Auxiliary is not only a strong supporter but also an official co-sponsor. Education is vital for a democracy to function. We support the efforts of children of veterans who desire an education beyond high school.