



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP
2011-2012**

Fifteen scholarships will be awarded for the 2011-2012 Auxiliary year. Three scholarships will be awarded in each Division of the American Legion Auxiliary: one in the amount of \$2,500, one in the amount of \$2,000 and one in the amount of \$1,500. All are gift scholarships and not loans.

RULES

1. Candidates for this award shall be daughters, stepdaughters, sons, stepsons, grandsons, step-grandsons, granddaughters, step-granddaughters, great-granddaughters, step-great-granddaughters, great-grandsons, step-great-grandsons of veterans who served in the Armed Forces during eligibility dates for membership in The American Legion.
 - a. April 6, 1917 through November 11, 1918 (WWI)
 - b. December 7, 1941 through December 31, 1946 (WWII)
 - c. June 25, 1950 through January 31, 1955 (Korea)
 - d. February 28, 1961 through May 7, 1975 (Vietnam)
 - e. August 24, 1982 through July 31, 1984 (Grenada and Lebanon)
 - f. December 20, 1989 through January 31, 1990 (Panama)
 - g. August 2, 1990 to the date of cessation of hostilities (Persian Gulf to present)
2. Applicants must be in their senior year of high school.
3. Previous National Presidents' Scholarship recipients are not eligible for further consideration.
4. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all Units and Departments.
5. No Unit may enter more than one candidate in the Department competition. Each Department is restricted to submitting one candidate to the Divisional competition.
6. The scholarship must be used within 24 months of the date the winner receives notification by National Headquarters, or the scholarship will be forfeited.
7. Applicant must complete 50 hours of volunteer service within the community, verified in writing by the recipient organization(s).
8. Applicants must present the completed application to the local American Legion Auxiliary Unit President **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2012.**
9. The winning entry for each Unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and mailed to the Department Secretary, to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2011.**

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

Character/Leadership	- 25%
Essay/Application	- 25%
Financial Need	- 25%
Scholarship	- 25%

THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.

1. 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 National Presidents' Scholarship.
2. The following four letters of recommendation are required:
 - a. One letter from either the principal or guidance counselor of the school from which the applicant will graduate, to include size of class and student's position in the class and the cumulative grade point average.
 - b. One letter from a clergyman/clergywoman of the applicant's choice.
 - c. Two letters from adult citizens, other than relatives, attesting to the applicant's character in regard to conduct, citizenship and leadership.
3. An original article consisting of no more than 1,000 words. The title of the article/essay will be **"The Importance of Helping Military Families in Your Community."**
4. A letter from a recipient organization verifying 50 hours of voluntary service.
5. A certified transcript or photocopy of the applicant's high school grades.
6. A copy of ACT or SAT test scores.
7. A copy of the FASFA (financial aid) form submitted for assistance in college.
8. A brief statement of the military service of parent or grandparents, including the branch of service and dates of service, or a photocopy of parent's or grandparents' discharge papers.

EACH UNIT AND DEPARTMENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION IN THE APPLICANT'S PACKET.

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION
2011-2012**

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Date of Birth _____ Phone _____

Name of father, stepfather or guardian _____

Address: _____

Veteran: Yes _____ No _____ Dates of Military Service _____

Occupation of father, stepfather or guardian: _____

Annual gross income _____

Name of mother, stepmother or guardian: _____

Address: _____

Veteran: Yes _____ No _____ Dates of Military Service _____

Occupation of mother, stepmother or guardian _____

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 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 _____

Proposed date of graduation from high school _____

Name of college or university you hope to attend _____

Print or Type Full Name

Signature of Applicant

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, 2012.

a. Why would receiving this scholarship be important to you? Please explain. _____

b. What course of study do you plan to pursue and why? _____

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

d. Why do you think the United States' patriotic organizations such as the American Legion Auxiliary are important to the world today? _____

**2011-2012 CHILDREN OF WARRIORS NATIONAL PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP
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 Secretary to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2012**. 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
Education Chairman*

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT/SECRETARY

The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and/or Department Secretary/Education Chairman and forwarded with the completed application to the respective Division Education Chairman **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2012**.

DEPARTMENT _____

DIVISION _____

Signature of Department President

*Signature of Department Secretary or
Education Chairman*

The Division Education Chairman and two qualified judges shall make the final decision on the first, second and third place winners in her Division. She shall certify the names of the winners and send their complete application packets to the National Education Chairman **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, 2012**. The National Education Chairman shall certify the names of the winners to National Headquarters.



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP
FOR NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS
2011-2012**

Five scholarships, each in the amount of \$1,000, will be awarded in the 2011-2012 Auxiliary year. One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded in each Division of the American Legion Auxiliary. All are gift scholarships and do not have to be repaid.

RULES

1. Applicant must be a 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. Applicant must be:
 - 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. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all Units and Departments.
5. No Unit may enter more than one candidate in the Department competition. Each Department is restricted to submitting one candidate to the Divisional competition.
6. The scholarship must be used within 24 months of the date the winner is notified by American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters.
7. Applicant must present the completed application to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President **on or before March 1, 2012.**
8. The winning entry for each Unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and mailed to the Department Secretary to be received **on or before March 15, 2012.**
9. The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and Department Secretary or Education Chairman and mailed to the respective Division Education Chairman to be received **on or before April 1, 2012.**
10. The scholarship award will be paid directly to the school upon receipt of certification of enrollment from the school. No payment will be made directly to the student.

JUDGING

Judging at each level will be based on the following criteria:

Need	- 25 pts.
Scholastic standing/academic achievement	- 25 pts.
Character/leadership	- 25 pts.
Initiative/goals	- 25 pts.

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE NO. _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

I AM A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF:

_____ AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

_____ THE AMERICAN LEGION

_____ SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

MEMBER NUMBER _____ DATE OF ENROLLMENT _____

UNIT, POST OR SQUADRON NAME _____

LOCATION (CITY & STATE) _____

NAME OF VETERAN THROUGH WHOM APPLICANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP:

RELATIONSHIP TO VETERAN _____

ATTESTED: _____
(Post Adjutant/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.

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:

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? _____

Why did you select this school? _____

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

Signed: _____

Date: _____

APPLICATION PACKET REQUIREMENTS:

1. Completed application
2. Copy of college transcript if applicable
3. Work history
4. Copy of FASFA (financial aid) Form submitted for college assistance
5. Answers to above questions

**2011-2012 NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP
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 Secretary to be received on or before March 15, 2012.

Unit Name and Number _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Signature of Unit President

*Signature of Unit Secretary or
Education Chairman*

**THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT/EDUCATION CHAIRMAN**

The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and Department Secretary or Education Chairman and mailed to the respective Division Education Chairman to be received on or before April 1, 2012.

DEPARTMENT _____ DIVISION _____

Signature of Department President

*Signature of Department Secretary or
Education Chairman*

The Division Education Chairman and two qualified judges shall make the final decision on the Division winner. She shall certify the name of the winner and send the winner's complete application packet to the National Education Chairman on or before April 15, 2012. The National Education Chairman shall certify the names of the winners to National Headquarters.



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
SPIRIT OF YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP
FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS
2011-2012**

Five four-year scholarships will be awarded for the 2011-2012 Auxiliary year. One four-year scholarship will be awarded in each Division of the American Legion Auxiliary. All are gift scholarships and are not loans.

RULES

1. Candidates for this award shall be/shall have been Junior members of the American Legion Auxiliary; said member to have held Junior membership in the American Legion Auxiliary for the past three years and must hold a membership card for the current (2012) year. Applicant must continue her membership in the American Legion Auxiliary during the four-year-scholarship period.
2. Applicants must be in their senior year of an accredited high school.
3. This is a four-year scholarship to attend an accredited institution of higher education. Applicants must be of good character and have grades which meet entrance requirements at the institution of their choice. Applicant must have at least a 3.0 GPA using a 4.0 base.
4. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all Units and Departments.
5. No Unit may enter more than one applicant in the Department competition. Each Department is restricted to submitting one applicant to the Divisional competition.
6. Applicant must present the completed application packet to the Unit President **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2012.**
7. The winning entry for each Unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and mailed to the Department Secretary to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2012.**
8. The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and Department Secretary or Department Education Chairman and mailed to the respective Division Education Chairman to be received **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2012.**
9. Use of the scholarship must begin **within 24 months of the date the winner receives notification by National Headquarters.** Additionally, National Headquarters must receive certification from the college of the winner's enrollment within 12 months of notification.

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

- a. Character/Leadership - 30%
- b. Essay/Application - 30%
- c. Scholarship - 40%

THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.

The award will be paid directly to the school at the beginning of the first semester when the student enrolls. There shall be no money paid to the school for the ensuing years until notification of re-enrollment has been received from the school. Notification from the school must include verification of a B (3.0) average. If the winner discontinues his/her education or membership in the American Legion Auxiliary before completing four years of study (eight semesters), the balance of the scholarship will be forfeited. The winner will have six years from the date of high school graduation to utilize the scholarship funds.

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
SPIRIT OF YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP
FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS 2011-2012**

APPLICATION PACKET REQUIREMENTS

1. Completed application form for Spirit of Youth Scholarship for Junior Members.
2. The following four letters of recommendation are required:
 - a. One letter from either the principal or guidance counselor of the school from which the applicant will graduate, to include size of class and student's position in class, and the cumulative grade point average.
 - b. One letter from a clergyman/clergywoman of the applicant's choice.
 - c. Two letters from adult citizens, other than relatives, attesting to the applicant's character in regard to conduct, citizenship and leadership.
3. An original essay consisting of no more than 1,000 words (typed, double-spaced). The title of the article/essay will be **"The Importance of Helping Military Families in your Community"**
4. A certified transcript or photocopy of the applicant's high school grades.
5. A copy of the FASFA (financial aid) form submitted for college financial assistance.
6. A copy of ACT or SAT test scores.

EACH UNIT AND DEPARTMENT WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR VERIFYING ALL NECESSARY INFORMATION IN THE APPLICANT'S PACKET.

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
SPIRIT OF YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS
APPLICATION 2011-2012**

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone No. _____

Date of Birth _____ Membership # _____

Date of Enrollment in American Legion Auxiliary _____

Name of veteran through whom applicant is eligible for membership in American Legion Auxiliary:

Relationship to Veteran _____

Proposed date of graduation from high school _____

Name of college or university you hope to attend:

a. Why would receiving this scholarship be important to you? Please explain. _____

b. What course of study do you plan to pursue and why? _____

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

d. Why do you think the United States' patriotic organizations, such as the American Legion Auxiliary, are important to the world today?

I certify that the information provided in this application is correct.

Print or Type Full Name

Signature of Applicant

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 which your membership is recorded NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2012.

**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 Secretary to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2012.**

Unit Name and Number

*Signature of Unit Secretary or
Unit Education Chairman*

Address

City, State, ZIP

Signature of Unit President

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSORING DEPARTMENT

The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and the Department Secretary or Department Education Chairman and forwarded with completed application to the respective Division Education Chairman **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2012.**

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 in her Division. She shall certify the name of the winner and send her complete application packet to the National Education Chairman **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 15, 2012.** The National Education Chairman shall certify the names of the winners to National Headquarters.