ELIGIBILITY:

Department scholarships are awarded to deserving sons or daughters, grandsons or granddaughters of a veteran who need financial assistance to avail themselves of higher education at the post-secondary level. These scholarships are to be applied only toward the expenses of tuition, books or similar fees, at an accredited institution of higher learning. Each scholarship will be paid directly to the school, in the amount of $1,000.00 for any one year. Satisfactory progress must be made with grades reported to the Department of Minnesota.

To be eligible to apply for these scholarships, the veteran must have served in the federal active duty in the United States Armed Forces since December 7, 1941 and have been honorably discharged or is still serving.

A candidate for these scholarships must be:
1. A resident of the State of Minnesota or a member of the American Legion Auxiliary (includes Junior membership), The American Legion, or Sons of The American Legion, Department of Minnesota.
2. A high school senior/graduate or college student/graduate, seeking further education with a scholastic record and average of at least “C”.
3. In need of and deserving of financial assistance.
4. Of good character, with ambition to continue their education.

APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:
1. A letter from the superintendent, principal or counselor of the school presently attending, or have attended regarding scholastic record, aptitude and ambition.
2. A letter from a business, clergy or professional person (not related) with whom you have been associated.
3. An essay of not more than 1,000 words (typed, double-spaced) from the applicant telling of their plans for higher education, career goals, extracurricular and community activities and the need for financial assistance.
4. A copy of high school/college grad transcript.

An application check list is included for the convenience of the applicant and/or Unit.

Applications must be submitted by March 5th to the Unit President of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit located in your school district or the Unit that holds your membership. This application must be received in the Minnesota Department Auxiliary Headquarters by March 15th:

American Legion Auxiliary
State Veterans Service Building
20 W 12th Street Room 314
St. Paul, MN 55155.

All applications will be considered for all scholarships available and the final decision will be made by the Department Education Chairman. Eight (8) $1,000.00 scholarships will be awarded.
Department of Minnesota Scholarship Checklist 2021-2022

Application Year: 2021-2022

Applicant’s Name: ____________________________ Unit: ______________

Chairman Name: ______________________________

☐ Current Application form

☐ Veteran’s Eligibility

☐ Relationship to Veteran: ______________________

☐ Minnesota Resident or Member of American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Sons of The American Legion Department of MN

☐ High School senior/graduate with minimum “C” average Date: ____________________

☐ In need of and deserving of financial assistance

☐ Of good Character

☐ Post-secondary education facility __________________________

☐ Signed by Unit President or secretary

☐ Signed by applicant

☐ Received by Unit President March 5th

☐ Letter from Superintendent/Principal or Counselor Attests to: scholastic, aptitude and ambition

☐ Letter Business or Clergy or professional Person (not relative)

☐ Essay of 1,000 words or less typed and double spaced

☐ Copy of transcript of grades (high school, college, etc.)

Revised August 2021
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: ____________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________
City __________________________ State _______ Zip _______
Date of Birth __________________________ Telephone __________

Email Address _______________________________________

1. Date of Graduation from High School ________________________
2. Name of Guardian/Parents __________________________________

3. Name of veteran by which applicant is eligible
   Dates of Service __________________________ Relationship _______
   If veteran is a member of the The American Legion – ID# _______
   If applicant is a member of the The American Family – ID# _______

4. Annual Family Income $ ______________________
   (Use gross income from last year’s Federal Income Tax 1040 Form, line 22)
   Number of dependent children under 18 years of age _______
   Number of dependent children 18 years of age and over _______

5. Occupation of Guardians/Parents:
   A. ________________________________________________
      B. ________________________________________________

6. Total monthly Government compensation or pension received by guardian/parent and/or children (self).
7. Guardian/Parent __________ Children _ Self __________
8. What school do you plan to attend?
   Address: ___________________________________________
   City/State/Zip ____________________________
   • Course of Study ____________________________
   • Length of course ____________________________
   • Cost of course _____________________________

9. What date will you enter school? ________________

10. Do you anticipate any other Financial Assistance? _____________________________________________
    If so, what amount is anticipated?

Failure to complete the application or attach all required documents will result in disqualification.

_________________________________________   _______________________
Signature of Applicant                      Date

_________________________________________   _______________________
Signature of Unit President or Secretary    Date

Unit Number and Location

Return to: American Legion Auxiliary
State Veterans Service Building
20 W. 12th St. #314
St. Paul, MN 55155