

Scholarship Application



In honor of those who served and sacrificed
to defend the United States of America

**The American Legion - Department of Connecticut
District 4 - Windham & Tolland Counties
P.O. Box 255
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The American Legion – Department of Connecticut District 4 - Scholarship Award Criteria

The American Legion – Department of Connecticut has established the following criteria for administering and awarding the annual American Legion District 4 Scholarship Award:

- Two (2) non-renewable \$1,000 scholarships will be announced and awarded at the recipient's high school scholarship awards program in June.

The scholarships are intended to provide assistance to the most deserving applicants who are one of the following:

- A child, grandchild or sibling of a veteran, living or deceased, or
- A child or sibling of an active-duty member of the Armed Forces, or
- A child, grandchild or sibling of a former Armed Forces member deceased while on active duty or as a result thereof.

The following limitations are established:

- Any graduating senior who is a resident of District 4 – Windham & Tolland Counties, regardless of high school or homeschool setting, is eligible to apply for The American Legion District 4 Scholarship Awards.
- The awards are considered for applicants who will be enrolling in a two-year or four-year college, university, or technical college or school leading to either an associate or baccalaureate degree or a technical college or school certificate of completion.
- Applications with supporting documents must be received by the Scholarship Chairman by April 15, 2021
- Applications received after April 15, 2021 will not be considered.
- Incomplete application packets will not be reviewed.

Applicant documentation requirements:

1. **Completed application** with required applicant and guardian signatures.
2. **Statement** outlining how and why you selected your college major and how it links to your long-term career and life goals.
3. **Resume** outlining your four-year high school and community involvement and achievement. List your priorities on the application form in requested categories.
4. **High school transcript*** - courses, grades, credits, GPA, and class rank - *include first semester senior grades.*
***Homeschool applicants** – documentation of secondary education requirements.
Optional: SAT/ACT test scores.
5. **Two letters of reference** - *one* from a *high school or homeschool teacher or counselor*, and a *second* from a *community member*. Letters should comment on applicant's character, achievement, leadership and community involvement.
6. **FAFSA Form** - List your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) on the application from your *Student Aid Report*.
7. **Institutional acceptance letter(s)** you plan to attend including the financial aid award package you received.
8. **DD-214** or other documentary evidence supporting your parent, guardian, grandparent or sibling's military service. Share your relationship with the person on the document you are submitting in your application.

An interview *may* be requested at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship Committee decisions are final.

Applications must be received at the following address by April 15, 2021:

Please mail scholarship packets to:

The District 4 - Scholarship Chairman
The American Legion – Department of Connecticut
P.O. Box 255
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District 4 – Windham & Tolland Counties
Scholarship Application**

Personal Information:

Name: _____ D/B _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

Guardian Information:

Guardian's Name: _____

(If applicable) Veteran _____ Branch _____ Disabled _____ Deceased _____

Complete Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Guardian's Name: _____

(If Applicable) Veteran _____ Branch _____ Disabled _____ Deceased _____

Complete Address: _____

Occupation: _____

Are either guardians affiliated with The American Legion? _____

Family Size: _____

(Include guardian(s), yourself, and other household members if applicant's guardians are providing half or more of their support).

Number in household (including yourself) attending college full-time next semester: _____

List names and ages:

Special Consideration:

GPA: _____ Class Rank: _____

(If available)

Reference Letters:

1. _____

(Teacher or Counselor)

2. _____

(Community Member)

American Legion Activities – circle those you have participated in over the years.

Summer Legion Baseball
Oratorical Scholarship Contest
Boy Scouts
Rank of Eagle Scout
Other:

CT Boys/Girls State
Legion Boys/Girls Nation
Junior Shooting Sports
State Police Youth Week

Honors/Awards & Activity/Leadership Information:

Please review your resume and list your most important entries.

Honors and Awards in order of priority:

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Sports played, years, and leadership positions:

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

School Activities and offices held in priority order:

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Non-School/Community Service Activities in priority order:

1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Scholarship Information:

To which colleges/schools have you applied; indicate school acceptances? Circle the school you plan to intend.

School:

Acceptance:

DD-214: Please share your relationship with the individual whose DD-214 or other military documents you submitted.

Financial Aid – FAFSA Information:

- EFC: _____

Applicant Signature

Date

Guardian Signature

Date



Preamble to the
Constitution of
The American Legion

For God and Country
we associate ourselves
together for the following
purposes:

To uphold and defend
the Constitution of the
United States of America;
to maintain law and
order; to foster and
perpetuate a one hundred
percent Americanism; to
preserve the memories
and incidents of our
associations in all wars;
to inculcate a sense of
individual obligation to the
community, state and nation;
to combat the autocracy
of both the classes and
the masses;
to make right the master
of might; to promote
peace and goodwill on
earth; to safeguard and
transmit to posterity
the principles of justice,
freedom and democracy;
to consecrate and sanctify
our comradeship by
our devotion to mutual
helpfulness.

The American Legion

Youth Activities

American Legion Baseball

Junior Shooting Sports

Scholarships

Americanism School & Community Programs

American Legion Boys State & Nation

*American Legion High School
Oratorical Scholarship Program
"A Constitutional Speech Contest"*

State Police Youth Week

*Boy Scouts of America
The American Legion
Scout of the Year*

Patriotic Holiday Programs

Memorial Day

Flag Day

Independence Day

V.J. Day Parade

Patriot Day

1983 Beirut Barracks Bombings

Veterans Day

Pearl Harbor Day

Wreaths Across America