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**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO  
DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP**

There will be two \$1,000 scholarship awards for the current year. All are gift scholarships and not loans.

1. Candidates for these awards shall be daughters, sons, or grandchildren of the veterans who served federal active duty in the United States Armed Forces since December 7, 1941 and have been honorably discharged or are still serving. (Eligibility dates remain open, all active-duty members of the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible for membership in the American Legion.)
2. Applicants must be in their senior year.
3. Previous Department Scholarship recipients are not eligible for further competition.
4. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all Units.
5. No Unit may enter more than one candidate in the Department competition.
6. The scholarship must be used within 12 months of the date the winner receives notification by the Department Headquarters.
7. Applicants must present the completed application packet to the Unit President prior to **March 1 of current year**. Deadline must be adhered to.
8. The winning entry for each Unit shall be certified by the Unit President and mailed to Department Secretary by **March 15 of the current year**.
9. The award will be paid when the student registers for the first semester. If the student does not in fact go to the school, the award shall be made available to his/her alternate. The student should notify the Department Secretary if he/she is not continuing in school.
10. Judging at all levels shall be on the following basis:
  - a. Character 20%
  - b. Americanism 20%
  - c. Leadership 20%
  - d. Scholarship 20%
  - e. Basis of need 20%

***The decision of the judges shall be final.***

## **APPLICATION PACKET REQUIREMENTS**

### **Department President's Scholarship**

1. Completed application form for Department President's Scholarship.
2. The following two letters of recommendation are required:
  - a. One letter from either the Principal, Guidance Counselor, or teacher of the school from which the applicant will be a graduate.
3. An original essay consisting of no more than 1,000 words on the topic:  
**“How Military Families are Keeping the Promise to Preserve our Freedom”**
4. A certified transcript or photocopy from the high school.
5. A copy of ACT or SAT test scores.
6. A brief statement of the service of military veteran through whom applicant is eligible, including branch of service and dates of service, or a photocopy of veterans discharge papers.

**NONE OF THIS PACKET WILL BE RETURNED TO THE STUDENT**

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### **THIS INFORMATION FOR USE BY UNIT ONLY**

Each Unit will be responsible for verifying all necessary information in the applicant's packet.

Units are to send their winning entry to: **Department Secretary, 7465 E. 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Suite D, Denver, CO 80230. To be received on or before March 15 of the current year.**

The Department Education Chairman and her committee will make the final decision on the winner. The Chairman shall certify the name of the Department winner to the Department President on or before March 15<sup>th</sup>, of the current year. The entire winning entry packet shall be mailed to the Department Secretary on or before March 15<sup>th</sup> of the current year. If the winner of this award is also the winner of the National President's Scholarship award, or the Past President's Parley Health Professional Scholarship, his/her alternate will then become the recipient of the Department President's Scholarship award.

**APPLICATION FOR DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP  
THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY  
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO**

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO YOUR UNIT PRESIDENT ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1 of current year

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of veteran through whom applicant is eligible \_\_\_\_\_

Living \_\_\_\_\_ Deceased \_\_\_\_\_ Divorced \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation of father or stepfather \_\_\_\_\_ Annual gross income \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation of mother \_\_\_\_\_ Annual gross income \_\_\_\_\_

Total monthly government compensation or pension received by parent and /or children \_\_\_\_\_

Monthly compensation or pension for applicant if mother has remarried or has died \_\_\_\_\_

Number of dependent children under 18 years of age \_\_\_\_\_ Over 18 years \_\_\_\_\_

Grade levels \_\_\_\_\_

Are you eligible or are you drawing Social Security payments? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you eligible for benefits under Survivors and Dependents Education? \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed date of graduation from high school \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or University you plan to attend \_\_\_\_\_

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Print or type full name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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**NOTE: PLEASE BE SURE TO ATTACH OTHER REQUIRED MATERIALS TO THIS APPLICATION AND SUBMIT TO  
THE PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT TO WHICH YOU BELONG.  
NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, of current year**

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSORING UNIT  
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Unit name and number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Secretary or Unit Education Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City and zip code

*(See next page for essay questions)*

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Signature of Unit President

**Please answer the following questions on a separate document and attach to the application packet.**

- a. Why would receiving this scholarship be important to you?
- b. What course of study do you plan to pursue and why?
- c. Describe your involvement in school, church, and community activities.
- d. Why do you think the United States' patriotic organizations such as the American Legion Auxiliary are important to the world today?