



AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DIRECTIONS

ELIGIBILITY: High school juniors who are a delegate to the American Legion Boys State program.

Completing a scholarship application can be a difficult task. Below are some tips to help you complete your application.

1. Application must be typed or completed online at www.nmboysstate.org. Under "Youth Programs" click on "Boys State."
2. Do not attach any documents or additional pages to this application, except as required.
3. Review the entire application before completing it. If a field is left blank, it could count against you. If you do not want to answer a question, put a reason in the field.
4. Proofread your essays and applications in addition to having at least one other person proofread your application. Spelling errors or poor writing skills will have a negative effect on your chances of receiving the scholarship.
5. Never submit an application with words that have been crossed out, or something that has incomplete sentences, poor grammar, and misspellings.
6. Use a computer to prepare your final document. Many applications are no longer accepted, if they are handwritten.
7. Each application is judged on its own merit so include any information that makes you exceptional and a good candidate to receive the award.
8. Keep a copy of everything you submit!
9. Pay close attention to scholarship application deadlines as applications submitted past the deadline will not be considered. Contact your American Legion Boys State Program to determine its application deadline and procedure for submitting the application. Normally, the application is submitted when you arrive at your respective program.

Explain your long-range goals for school and career. Describe what specific skills and personal values you want to foster in yourself to achieve these ends.

Describe any circumstances that may affect your family's ability to provide for your college education.

Describe any "community service /volunteerism" activities in which you have been involved during your high school career (grades nine through eleven). If your "community service/volunteerism" was required, explain why.

Activities - List the clubs, teams, and organizations you belonged to or participated in during grades nine (9) through eleven (11). List the dates you participated (mm/yy), number of hours. per week or month, total hours and accomplishments or honors earned.

State/National Awards and Honors. List up to five state or national awards/honors you have received. (For example, All-State Choir, National Merit Semifinalist.)

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School/Local Awards and Honors. List up to five school or local awards/honors you have received. (For example, DAR Good Citizen Award, American Legion All-Star, 4-H, Scholastic Athlete Award.)

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What do you like to do for fun and/or enjoyment?

CERTIFICATION

If I am selected as a scholarship winner and in consideration thereof, I understand, agree and hereby grant permission to The American Legion to use my likeness and name in announcing and promoting this scholarship program. I understand and agree that the Selection Committee is solely responsible for the selection of the scholarship winners and its decision is final. I have completed the scholarship application. I grant permission to the school of higher education I attend to release information concerning my enrollment status, academic standing and financial need to The American Legion for use in administering my scholarship award. In submitting this application, I certify that the information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that, falsification of information will result in termination of the American Legion Scholarship.

Date _____

Student Signature

If my child is selected as a scholarship winner and in consideration thereof, I understand, agree and hereby grant permission to The American Legion to use my child's likeness and name in announcing and promoting this scholarship program. I understand and agree that the Selection Committee is solely responsible for the selection of the scholarship winners and its decision is final. My child has completed the scholarship application. I grant permission to the school of higher education my child attends to release information concerning my child's enrollment status, academic standing and financial need to The American Legion for use in administering my child's scholarship award. In submitting this application, I certify that the information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that, falsification of information will result in termination of the American Legion Boys State Scholarship.

Date

Parent's Signature

Note: 1. If a legal guardian signs this certification, all personal pronouns shall be deemed to be read as if singular and not plural and 2. a copy of the appointment of the legal guardian signing must be attached.

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATION TO YOUR BOYS STATE PROGRAM OFFICIALS AS DIRECTED.

The Rules and Conditions under which the scholarships are awarded and the program administered shall be:

1. The Selection Committee of The American Legion Boy's State Program will select scholarship recipients.
2. The American Legion Scholarships recipients will have two (2) years to utilize their scholarship funds from the date of graduation from high school, excluding any time spent on active military duty or church mission.
3. *The American Legion Scholarship is for undergraduate study at an accredited U.S. college or University. The recipients must be enrolled as a fulltime student to request his scholarship funds.*
4. The scholarship funds may only be used to defray necessary costs of the student's education (i.e. tuition, room & board, books & supplies, fees and equipment required by the student's particular course of study or school).
5. Scholarship checks will be issued upon receipt of a "Request for Funds" form. It is the normal and customary procedure that the scholarship check will be a two-party check made payable to the student and school. Students who have not requested their award will receive one (1) written notice reminding them of their award and the time limits remaining to receive their award.
6. Unused scholarship funds will be returned to the scholarship trust fund for future awards.

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