



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
JUNIOR MEMBER LOYALTY SCHOLARSHIP
2021 APPLICATION**

Ten scholarships, in the amount of \$2,500 each, will be awarded for 2021.
Two scholarships will be awarded in each of the five divisions of the
American Legion Auxiliary. All are gift scholarships, not loans.

RULES

1. Candidates for this award shall have been Junior members of the American Legion Auxiliary, held membership in the American Legion Auxiliary for the past three consecutive years (2018, 2019, and 2020) and be a paid member for the current (2021) membership year. Applicant must continue her membership in the American Legion Auxiliary during the scholarship period.
2. This scholarship is intended for the traditional college student with no interruption in education, who is at least in the first semester of college or technical school but not yet attained a bachelor's degree. Any member who is a non-traditional student (a student returning to the classroom after some time away from college) is welcome to apply for the American Legion Auxiliary Non-Traditional Student Scholarship.
3. This is a scholarship to attend an accredited institution of higher education for the completion of a bachelor's degree. Applicants must have completed at least one semester with grades that meet continuation requirements at the institution of their choice. Applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA using a 4.0 scale.
4. Previous American Legion Auxiliary national scholarship recipients are welcome to apply.
5. Applicants must present the completed application, along with the other required materials specified on the following page, to the **president of their American Legion Auxiliary unit** **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2021.**
6. Judging, at all levels, shall be on the following basis:

Leadership, Character, and ALA Participation (as presented in applicant's essay)	50%
Academic Achievement	25%
Completed Application	25%

THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.

7. The first half of the award (\$1,250) will be paid directly to the school for the first semester upon notification from the school that the student has re-enrolled. ***American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters must receive certification of enrollment within 12 months of the winning recipient's notification, or the scholarship will be forfeited.*** There shall be no money paid to the school for the ensuing semester until notification of re-enrollment has been received from the school. Notification from the school must include verification of at least a B (3.0 on a 4.0 scale) average. If the winner discontinues her education or membership in the American Legion Auxiliary before all scholarship funds have been dispersed, the balance of the scholarship will be forfeited. The winner will have four years from the date of notification of scholarship to use the scholarship funds.



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APPLICATION PACKET CHECKLIST

- Completed application packet for the Junior Member Loyalty Scholarship.
- Applicant's certified college transcripts, or photocopy of the certified college transcripts.
- A copy of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form, or a copy of the FAFSA Summary Report and Confirmation Page, or the FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR).
- An original essay consisting of no more than 1,000 words (typed, double-spaced). The title of the essay will be, **"What can you do as a college student to promote the American Legion Auxiliary's mission of serving veterans, military, and their families?"**

Please be sure to attach all of the required materials to this application and submit the application and materials to the American Legion Auxiliary unit in in which your membership is recorded
NO LATER THAN MARCH 1, 2021.



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Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Email: _____

Home phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Date of birth: _____ Membership ID #: _____

Date applicant joined the American Legion Auxiliary: _____

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

_____ Relationship to veteran: _____

Name of father, or guardian: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name of mother, or guardian: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I understand that by signing this application, I agree that my name and likeness, and/or essay may be used for marketing purposes in ALA media.

Print or Type Full Name

Signature of Applicant



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THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSORING ALA UNIT

(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

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

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

Leadership, Character, and ALA Participation (as presented in applicant's essay)	50%
Academic Achievement	25%
Completed Application	25%
2. No unit may enter more than one candidate in the department competition.
3. The selected entry for each unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary unit president and unit secretary or unit Education Committee chair.
4. The selected entry for each unit should be forwarded to the department secretary for competition at the state level to be received **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 15, 2021.**
5. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all units.

Date application received: _____

Unit name and number: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

*Signature of Unit Secretary or
Unit Education Committee Chair*

Signature of Unit President



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THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT (STATE) LEVEL

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

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

Leadership, Character, and ALA Participation (as presented in applicant's essay)	50%
Academic Achievement	25%
Completed Application	25%

2. Each department is restricted to submitting one candidate to the division competition.

3. The winning entry for each department shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary department president and the department secretary or department Education Committee chair, and forwarded to the respective division Education Committee chair so it's received **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2021.**

4. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all departments.

Date application received: _____

DEPARTMENT _____

DIVISION _____

*Signature of Department Secretary or
Department Education Committee Chair*

Signature of Department President

The American Legion Auxiliary division Education Committee chair and two qualified judges shall make the final decision on the winner. The division Education Committee chair shall certify the name of the winner and send the complete application packet to the national Education Committee chair **on or before April 15, 2021.** The national Education Committee chair shall certify the name of the winning scholarship recipient to ALA National Headquarters.