

**American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Children & Youth Scholarship
Department of Montana
Scholarship Rules**

There shall be TWO scholarships of \$500 each awarded each year. The winner shall be announced at the Department Convention in June.

1. The candidate shall be a veteran, a veteran's spouse, a veteran's child, a veteran's grandchild or a veteran's great-grandchild, who has completed his or her sophomore year of college, and is going into a field relating to Child Welfare. Examples may include but are not limited to: primary or special education, pediatric nursing, social work or speech therapy.
2. The applicant must be a resident of Montana; they can attend a school in or out of state, but must maintain a legal Montana residence.
3. The following letters of recommendation must be furnished:
 - A: Community letter
 - B: Two letters from Dean of School, Head of Department, instructors, employers or local business owner. These letters should testify as to the applicant's character, leadership and basis of need for the scholarship. No letters of recommendation shall be from relatives of an applicant.
4. Applicant must write a brief article and state their interest in Child Welfare and how they feel that their vocation, present and future, will benefit the Welfare of Children.
5. Any additional data attesting to qualifications: health certificates, statement of extra-curricular activities, participation in civic activities, etc. shall be included.
6. A transcript of grades must be included.
7. Applicant must be sure to include full names and address.
8. The completed application must be neatly bound at the left side, in a standard binder or cover.
9. All applications should be received no later than June 1st. Send applications to:

Sylvia Machler
1636 Kelby Dr. #D
Billings MT 59105
sylviamachler@yahoo.com
10. The Children & Youth Coordinated Committee shall choose the winners. Judging shall be done on the following basis:

Character	20%
Scholarship	10%
Basis of Need	40%
Interest of Child Welfare	30%
11. Payment of scholarship monies shall be in 3 quarterly or 2 semester payments, depending on the college program.
12. Previous winners will be considered if there are no other qualified applicants.
13. In the event that the winner does not continue their education the following year, the Children & Youth secretary should be notified immediately so the scholarship can be awarded to an alternate.

Application for American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary Children & Youth Scholarship

Complete this application form along with Scholarship Rules Information

If filling out an application for those that do not have parents paying for their education, fill in Number 1, and 8 through 15. Attach a separate piece of paper and note the number if more room is needed for filling out the form.

Submit to: Sylvia Machler
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Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip, Home Phone, Cell : _____

Please write a brief statement of service of veteran during WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Grenada/Lebanon, Panama or Operation Freedom. Please include Veteran's name.

Name of Parents: Father, Mother, Step-Parents or Guardians (if applicable) _____

Number of Children in Family: Under 18 years _____ Over 18 years _____

Occupation of Father: _____ Annual Income: \$ _____

Occupation of Mother: _____ Annual Income: \$ _____

If applicable, Occupation of Step-Parents or Guardians and their Annual Income: _____

Government compensations/pension received by any of the above parents: \$ _____

Government compensations/pension received by yourself if applying for self: \$ _____

Your annual income: \$ _____

Your spouse's name: _____ Occupation: _____ Annual Income \$ _____

Number of children in the home _____

What year did you graduate from high school? _____

What College or University are you attending? _____

How are you financing your college education? _____

Give places of employment for the applicant _____

Date: _____

Signature of Applicant: _____