



Application

DUE MARCH 1, 2026

Application closes at 11:59 PM Eastern

Please contact Education@ALAforVeterans.org with questions. Due to the high number of scholarship applications received, the ALA National Headquarters staff and National Education Committee is unable to respond to application inquiries to confirm receipt of materials.

Please note:

- *Uploaded documents will **NOT** be saved until this form is submitted. If you save your application to resume later, your documents will need to be uploaded again.*
- *The online form we use is limited to 15MB for uploads. Please check the size of your files and reduce the size.*
- *Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*). If a field does not have an asterisk (*) it is not required.*

Eligibility and Rules

- Candidates for this award shall be direct descendants of veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces during eligibility dates for membership in The American Legion: April 6, 1917, to November 11, 1918; and any time after December 7, 1941. Membership in The American Legion Family is not required for this scholarship.
- Applicants must be in their senior year of high school.
- This is a scholarship to attend an accredited institution of higher education.
- Applicants must complete 50 hours of volunteer service within the community during their high school years. Hours must be verified in writing by the recipient organization(s).
- Essay answers must have a minimum of 600 characters in length. This requirement ensures that responses are detailed enough to fully address the question given. All essays will be reviewed using AI tools to help ensure originality. These tools assist in identifying potential plagiarism and detecting AI-generated content. Applicants that rely heavily on AI will be disqualified.
- Completed applications are DUE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1, 2026, 11:59 PM Eastern.
- Judging, at all levels, shall be on the following basis:
 - 30% - Character/Leadership
 - 30% - Essay/Application
 - 40% - Academic Achievement
- THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES SHALL BE FINAL.

Go to [Children of Warriors National Presidents Scholarship](#) for more information and application