



Sterling American Legion Post 296

601 First Avenue
Sterling, Illinois 61081
Phone: (815) 625-1212

TO ALL GRADUATING SENIORS: Sterling American Legion Annual Scholarship

You are invited to make application for a scholarship to be presented annually by the Sterling American Legion Post 296. This award will be presented to the graduating senior intending to further his/her education. The scholarship funds will be sent to the school of choice to be credited to the applicant's tuition and/or fees.

Applicant's Eligibility Requirements

1. The Applicant must plan to enroll as a freshman full-time student at an accredited college, university, or vocational/technical school.
2. The applicant must have maintained a minimum 2.5 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale.
3. Financial need of the applicant will be considered by the Scholarship Committee.
4. Preference in award selection will be given to a son/grandson/great-grandson or daughter/granddaughter/great-granddaughter of a Legionnaire member of Sterling Post 296. If there are no applicants under the preceding criteria, all other applicants are eligible on an equal basis.
5. All applications must be received by the Sterling American Legion Post 296 **no later than April 15th** of the calendar year of the applicant's graduation. **A school official must verify the GPA and forward with the application a transcript of the applicant's grades.** The transcript will be of the two (2) preceding semesters prior to the graduation of the applicant.
6. The award will be made exclusively by the Sterling American Legion Post 296 Scholarship Committee, with the said decision to be final and without challenge.
7. Sterling American Legion Post 296 Scholarship Application forms are available via school counselors at all Sterling-Rock Falls area high schools. In the event an applicant is not a student enrolled in a local high school, an application will be provided upon request.
8. Letters of recommendation on behalf of the applicant will also be given consideration.

Note: Submitted documents will be shredded upon completion of the scholarship review process.



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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

- Applicant Name: _____ Application Date: _____
- Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
- Name of Parent(s)/Guardian: _____
- Address of Parent(s)/Guardian (if different than above): _____
- Occupation of Parents: Father _____ Mother _____
- Place of Employment: Father _____ Mother _____
- Present School of Applicant: _____
- Current Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ School Official Verification: _____
- List school activities in which you participated (e.g., sports, clubs, organizations, music, drama, elected offices, etc.), special awards, and/or significant achievements:

- Name(s) of schools applied to for admission: A) _____
B) _____ C) _____
- Current field of study choices: A) _____
B) _____ C) _____
- List three instructors and/or administrators who know you personally and would provide a reference on your behalf, if contacted: 1) _____ 2) _____
3) _____
- Briefly explain why this Scholarship Committee should give consideration to your application: _____

To: Sterling American Legion Post 296 Scholarship Applicant

From: Sterling American Legion Post 296 Scholarship Committee

Please answer the following questions and submit this completed form with your application. You remain eligible to apply for this scholarship even if you respond "NO" to these questions.

- Are you the son or daughter of a regular (Legionnaire) member of Sterling American Legion Post 296?

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YES

Specify name of Legion member: _____

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NO

- Are you the grandson, granddaughter, great-grandson or great-granddaughter of a regular (Legionnaire) member of Sterling American Legion Post 296?

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YES

Specify name of Legion member: _____

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NO

Return completed application by April 15th to:

Sterling American Legion Post 296

Attn: Scholarship Committee

601 First Avenue

Sterling, IL 61081

Applicant Signature

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