

**HUGH A. SMITH**  
**SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The name of this fund shall be the "Hugh A. Smith Scholarship Fund". The fund will "be used by The American Legion for the purpose of assisting financially, in the education of needy and worthy children of American Legion members and/or such children of American Legion Auxiliary members of the Department of Kansas."

**RULES**

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

1. The sex, color or creed of the applicant is not a factor in final determination by the Scholarship Committee.
2. The applicant must be an average or better student scholastically.
3. Only High School seniors, College level freshmen or sophomores who are enrolled or intend to enroll in an approved Junior College, College, University or Trade School located in the state of Kansas will be considered.
4. The applicant must be the son or daughter of a veteran; the parent(s) must have been a member of The Kansas American Legion and/or Kansas American Legion Auxiliary for the past three (3) consecutive years.
5. The applicant may be the son or daughter of a deceased member whose membership was paid up in The American Legion and/or Auxiliary in the year of death.

**TYPE OF SCHOLARSHIP**

1. Outright scholarship grant.
2. Not renewable.

**AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP**

1. One (1) \$500.00 scholarship to be paid at the start of Fall semester (One Year Only).

**HOW TO APPLY**

1. Applications must be received in The American Legion Headquarters, 1314 SW Topeka Blvd., Topeka, KS 66612, by **February 15th**.
2. Three letters of recommendation one must be from a teacher.
3. Certified high school transcript. **Must show grade point average.**
4. Latest 1040 income statement of supporting parent(s).
5. A written essay of not less than 250 words, nor more than 500 words, on "Why I Want To Go To College" must accompany application. Please indicate major field of study under consideration.
6. Parents papers must show date of entry and release from active duty. DD 214's are acceptable.
7. Recent picture must accompany application, to be used for publicity purposes only.

**HOW CHOSEN**

1. After all applications are received at Department Headquarters they will be forwarded to the Scholarship, Essay, and Oratorical Committee of the State American Legion.
2. The Committee will review and select the winning applicant based on the above criteria.
3. The decision of the Department Scholarship, Essay, and Oratorical Committee shall be final and absolute.

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. The applicants major field of study will be a factor in the final selection. Please indicate your major field of study.
2. The Committee reserves the right to waive certain disqualifying requirements.

**APPLICATION FOR THE HUGH A. SMITH SCHOLARSHIP**  
(all applicable questions must be answered)

NAME OF APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS (including State & Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S NAME & ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S NAME & ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF POST OR UNIT, FATHER OR MOTHER IS A MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

LENGTH OF MEMBERSHIP (Years) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Post) (Unit)

IF TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER STATE, GIVE POST NO., NAME & STATE \_\_\_\_\_

UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE YOU PLAN TO ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU MADE APPLICATION? \_\_\_\_\_ HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED? \_\_\_\_\_

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU BEEN AWARDED ANOTHER SCHOLARSHIP? \_\_\_\_\_ IF YES, HOW MUCH? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Yes or No)

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN FAMILY AT HOME 18 YEARS OLD AND UNDER \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN COLLEGE SUPPORTED BY PARENTS \_\_\_\_\_

**WITH THIS APPLICATION YOU MUST INCLUDE:**

1. Above information complete
2. Latest 1040 income statement of supporting parent(s)
3. Certified or photostatic copy of veteran parent discharge showing enlistment and discharge dates.
4. Certified High School Transcript - **MUST SHOW GRADE POINT AVERAGE**
5. Three letters of recommendation - only one must be from a teacher
6. A written essay of not less than 250 words, nor more than 500 words, on "Why I Want To Go To College"
7. A recent black & white or color glossy photo must accompany application, to be used for publicity purposes.

**SEND ALL OF THE ABOVE TO:  
THE AMERICAN LEGION  
1314 SW TOPEKA BLVD.  
TOPEKA, KS 66612**

**DEADLINE DATE IS FEBRUARY 15 OF THE CURRENT YEAR**

**ALL SUBMITTED MATERIAL BECOMES PROPERTY OF THE KANSAS AMERICAN LEGION**

NOTE: If application is based on mother's Auxiliary membership, submit a certified or photostatic copy of discharge of veteran from which mother derives her eligibility