

KANSAS SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION
JAY B. THIELEN SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The name of this fund shall be the "Kansas Sons of the American Legion Jay B. Thielen Scholarship Fund." The fund will "be used by The Sons of the American Legion for the purpose of assisting financially, in the education of needy and worthy children and grandchildren of Sons of the American Legion members of the Detachment of Kansas or members of the Sons of the American Legion of the Detachment of Kansas."

RULES

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

1. Any high school senior, college freshman or sophomore who is a U.S. citizen is eligible to apply.
2. The applicant must be an average or better student scholastically.
3. 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, daughter, grandson, or granddaughter of a member of the Kansas Sons of the American Legion or a member of the Kansas Sons of the American Legion for the past three (3) consecutive years. (Please attach a copy of current year's membership card of the member from whom eligibility is derived.)
5. The applicant may obtain eligibility through a deceased member whose membership was paid up in The Sons of the American Legion in the year of death. (Please attach certification from Squadron Adjutant.)

TYPE OF SCHOLARSHIP

1. Five scholarships granted for the current school year.
2. Additional scholarship grants to be determined by funds available.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

1. Five \$500.00 scholarships, \$250.00 at the start of each semester upon proof of eligibility.
2. Additional \$250 scholarships, up to the maximum amount of the fund, at the start of the school year.

TO STAY ELIGIBLE

1. Must maintain a C average in college or advancement in trade school, and submit verification at the end of each semester or term.
2. Verification from school of enrollment at the start of each semester.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Applications must be received in The American Legion Headquarters, 1314 SW Topeka Blvd., Topeka, KS 66612, by **February 15**.
2. Two letters of recommendation - Only one letter of recommendation from a teacher.
3. Certified high school transcript. **MUST SHOW GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND ACT/SAT SCORES (if available).**
4. A written essay of not less than 500 word on "What Your Goals In Life Are and Why You Want To Attend College" must accompany application. Essay must be signed and dated.
5. List of Leadership and Extracurricular Activities in High School and Honors or Awards you received.
6. Latest 1040 income statement of supporting parent(s) or proof of income/financial need statement.
7. Copy of current membership card in the Kansas Sons of the American Legion or Adjutant's certification.

HOW CHOSEN

1. After all applications are received at Department Headquarters they will be forwarded to the Sons of the American Legion Scholarship Committee.
2. The Committee will review and select the winning applicant based on the above criteria.
3. The decision of the Scholarship Committee will 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 JAY B. THIELEN SCHOLARSHIP

(all applicable questions must be answered)

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

ADDRESS (including State & Zip) _____

PLACE OF BIRTH _____

City & State or Country

FATHER'S NAME & ADDRESS _____

MOTHER'S NAME & ADDRESS _____

NAME OF SQUADRON FATHER, GRANDFATHER, OR YOU ARE A MEMBER OF:

LENGTH OF MEMBERSHIP (Years) _____ IF TRANSFER FROM ANOTHER STATE, GIVE
SQUADRON NUMBER, CITY & STATE NAME &

UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE YOU PLAN TO ATTEND _____

HAVE YOU MADE APPLICATION? _____ HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED? _____

MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY _____

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) or proof of income/financial need statement.
3. Certified High School Transcript - **MUST SHOW GRADE POINT AVERAGE AND ACT/SAT SCORES (if available).**
4. Two letters of recommendation - only one must be from a teacher.
5. List of Leadership and Extracurricular Activities in High School and Honors or Awards you received.
6. A written essay of not less than 500 words on "What Your Goals In Life Are And Why I Want To Go To College". Essay must be signed and dated.
7. Photo copy of SAL membership card of your father, grandfather, or yourself for the current year.
8. 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

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