

AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIPS

Ferdinand Post 124, Ferdinand, IN

Ferdinand American Legion Post 124 will sponsor a total of eight \$500.00 scholarships, 4 by Post 124, 2 by Sons of Legion, and 2 by Auxiliary to a High School senior who is a child or grandchild of any Post 124 member, Sons of Legion or Auxiliary member. This scholarship can be used for any four year college, trade school or a community college to obtain an associate degree. This application must be returned to the Legion prior to May 1 of each year at which time eight applications will be selected. This program is always subject to available funds.

Applications for "The American Legion Family Scholarship" will also be available at the Legion. This scholarship is sponsored by The American Legion Department of Indiana. Eight \$1,500.00 scholarships are awarded each year in the state of Indiana. This application must be completed and mailed to American Legion Department of Indiana to arrive prior to April 1 of each year.

Department of Indiana Eighth District American Legion Auxiliary Education Gift scholarship application forms are available at the Legion. This is a \$200.00 scholarship awarded to a child or grandchild of an Eighth District Auxiliary member. Each Unit can submit only one entry to the District. This application must be returned to the Legion by March 15th of each year.

American Legion Auxiliary "Firkins Veterans Children Academic Gift" scholarship is available to a student who plans to attend a Junior College, Trade School or Community College can apply for this scholarship. Forms are available at the Legion upon request.

Also available is "Samsung American Legion Scholarship". Access the online Samsung Scholarship application at (<https://www.legion.org/samsung-scholarship-application>)

Another scholarship available is "New Scholarships For Juniors". Information and application forms are available on the American Legion Auxiliary website www.ALAforVeterans.org(<http://www.alaforveterans.org/>)

DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA EIGHTH DISTRICT AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (ALA) 2021 EDUCATION GIFT APPLICATION

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Auxiliary Education Gift: This application must be returned to the Legion by March 22nd.
Ferdinand Post 124, Ferdinand, IN

2020-2021 EIGHTH DISTRICT AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (ALA) GRADUATE EDUCATION GIFT GUIDELINES

The Eighth District American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) Education Gift, established in 1986, is managed and administered annually to a qualifying applicant from the **Eighth District Graduate Education Gift Fund**. The ALA Eighth District Education Committee is comprised of three (3) members who will review the applications and present the gift. **Each unit may submit only one (1) application** to the 8th District Education Chairman for evaluation. The annual one-time gift is awarded to a qualified student in the amount of **two hundred dollars (\$200)**.

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant **must** be a child, grandchild or great-grandchild of a member of the American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary. (Step relatives are eligible). The sponsoring member named on the application, must have been a member for **two years prior to the eligible year** and the current year's dues paid. If the legionnaire or auxiliary member is deceased, the deceased member must have been a paid member for two years prior to the qualifying year.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPLICANT

The applicant must be a high school graduating senior, with a **3.0** grade point average (GPA) or above and demonstrated good citizenship for their entire school course. The **ALA 8th District Education Gift Application** **must** include a signature from either the student's high school principal, homeroom teacher or senior counselor. Whereas, the **ALA 8th District Education Gift Student Evaluation** form should be signed by the homeroom teacher. A **transcript** displaying the student's current GPA **must** accompany the application.

RECOMMENDATIONS

A letter of recommendation from **either** a minister **or** business professional is required and must be attached to the **ALA Education Gift Application**. The Unit Education Chairman or Unit President **must** sign to verify the application and all necessary information accompanies the applicant's package and meets guidelines **prior** to submitting to ALA 8th District Education Chairman.

DEADLINE DATE

The 2-page application **must** be received by District Education Chairman, named on the cover page, no later than **March 31st**. Applications received after this date are considered null and void. Please use the attached checklist to ensure all requirements have been met. Thank you.

2020-2021 ALA EIGHTH DISTRICT EDUCATION GIFT APPLICATION (Print please.)

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Sex: () M () F

Student DOB (MM/DD/YEAR): _____

Student Birthplace (City/State): _____

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian: _____

Address (if different): _____

Student GPA (**Attach transcript**): _____

Additional financial assistance being awarded (Grants, Scholarships, etc.):

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Desired Major: _____

Minor: _____

Letter(s) of Recommendation submitted by: (*1 required*)

1. _____

2. _____

Student Signature: _____

Legionnaire/Auxiliary Sponsor Name: _____

Membership #: _____ Relationship: _____

Is Sponsor Living? *If yes, sign below.* Y () N ()

Sponsor's signature: _____

Sponsoring Post/Unit #: _____ Post/Unit City: _____

Unit President Name: _____

Unit President Signature: _____

Unit Education Chair (if not President): _____

Unit Education Chairperson Signature: _____

2020-2021 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (ALA) STUDENT EVALUATION FORM

Applicant Name: _____

High school: _____

City/State: _____

Graduation date: _____

*The student evaluation form is designed to measure the student's community involvement, citizenship and overall standing at their high school. This student evaluation form **must be completed by the applicant's high school homeroom teacher** as part of the ALA 8TH DISTRICT EDUCATION GIFT Application. Use the following score guide to complete the student's evaluation:*

Score Guide: 1-Minimum 2-Average 3-Good 4-Excellent

1. The student participates in the community (volunteers his/her service in church, social, civic, and/or non-profit social organizations): _____
2. The student exhibits kindness, courtesy, and willingness to help others: _____
3. The student demonstrates leadership in the classroom and participates in school activities: _____
4. The student exhibits citizenship with an understanding and appreciation of civic responsibility: _____
5. The student displays a positive attitude toward classmates, school, and the community: _____
6. The student possesses character, strength, integrity and courage to do what is right: _____
7. The student represents a healthy attitude in class and when he/she participates in school competitions/activities: _____
8. The student fulfills their pledge and responsibilities; making them a good example of being dependable and reliable: _____
9. The student values education and strives for excellence: _____
10. The student reflects good manners, morals and is ethical: _____

Homeroom Teacher Printed Name: _____

Homeroom Teacher Signature: _____

To be completed by the ALA 8TH District Education Chairperson upon receipt:

Date Application Received: / /	GPA Confirmed?	() Y () N
Letter(s) of recommendation attached? () Y () N	Confirmed Student Signature	() Y () N
Transcript attached? () Y () N	Sponsor Data Confirmed?	() Y () N
Unit Signature(s) confirmed? () Y () N	Committee approved?	() Y () N



DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA EIGHTH DISTRICT AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (ALA) EDUCATION GIFT CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to confirm all the required and necessary items are met to ensure the application qualifies for consideration:

- ☐ Submit a clean and clear, completed **current** education gift application with evaluation form in its **original** format. *(Suggest making a copy of the application so a clean application is presented to the committee.)*
- ☐ Student information complete?
- ☐ Attached high school transcript?
- ☐ Letter of recommendation from either a **minister/clergy or business professional**. No substitutions accepted.
- ☐ Student signature required.
- ☐ Unit Sponsor information completed on the application?
- ☐ Has the Sponsor membership status been confirmed by Unit Membership Chairperson?
- ☐ Student's eligibility confirmed by Unit President or Unit Education Chair?
- ☐ Application signed by Unit President **or** Unit Education Chairperson
- ☐ Is the "Student Evaluation Form" completed by Homeroom teacher?
- ☐ Did the Homeroom teacher sign the Evaluation Form?
- ☐ Verify **all** required signatures have been provided *(school principal, homeroom teacher or senior counselor and sponsor, if living)*
- ☐ **Only 1** application per unit may be submitted.

Application must be received by 8th District Education Chairperson prior to March 31st. Applications received after March 31st will be considered null and void, and ineligible for consideration.