

**Scholarship Rules
Hoosier Academic Gift
Indiana applicants attending Indiana schools only:**

There are two (2) \$500 Academic Gifts awarded each year.

1. Eligibility

The applicant must be the child, grandchild or great-grandchild of a veteran of World War I, World War II, Korean, Vietnam Hostilities, Beirut, Grenada, Panama and the Persian Gulf who is financially unable to attend college or a school for special training after graduation from high school. The applicant must not be under sixteen (16) nor over twenty-two (22) years of age, and must be in the senior year or be a graduate of an accredited high school, but cannot have attended an institution of higher learning.

2. Qualifications

The applicant must have a high scholastic standing and deportment for his/her entire high school course.

3. Recommendations

- a. The applicant must complete the application blank and provide the following letters of recommendation from:
 - (1) Superintendent or principal of the school from which the applicant is a graduate.
 - (2) An adult citizen, other than relatives, who knows the applicant in the community and home.
- b. A transcript of credits must be included.
- c. An essay consisting of no more than 1,000 words on the topic, "My Obligation as a Hoosier Towards my Community, State and Nation."
- d. Applicants for the gift will be carefully investigated by one or more members of the Education Committee before the gift is made and from time to time during the period the student is receiving the gift.
- e. The decision of the Education Committee shall be final in all matters pertaining to the Hoosier Academic Gift.

4. School

Students receiving a gift must be Indiana residents who will be attending an Indiana School approved by the Education Committee.

5. Academic Gift

- a. The gift is not to exceed \$500.00 to any one individual.
- b. Gifts shall be payable to the applicant in the amount of \$250.00 at the beginning of the first semester of work upon approval of the application by the Education Committee.
- c. The second installment of \$250.00 will be granted upon satisfactory completion of the first semester or unit of work.
- d. Gifts are not renewable.
- e. Each student receiving an academic gift shall provide a report of progress to the chairman of the Education Committee at the close of the first semester or unit of college work.
- f. All applications must be on file by April 1 to receive an academic gift for use during the following school year.

6. Unit Presidents

- a. An application for the Hoosier Schoolhouse Gift of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Indiana may be secured by writing to the Department Chairman or Department Secretary/Treasurer giving the name of student and the school he/she wishes to attend. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- b. The mailing of the application blank shall in no way obligate the applicant or the Education Committee until final approval is given.

Application for Hoosier Academic Gift
American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Indiana

Return to: Department Secretary-Treasurer
American Legion Auxiliary – Department of Indiana
5440 Herbert Lord Rd.
Indianapolis, IN 46216

1. Full name and residence of applicant _____
2. Sex _____ Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____
3. With whom living: Full name _____
Address _____
Street _____ City _____ Zip _____ County _____
4. How and by whom is the applicant now supported? _____

5. Name and address of father _____

- If deceased: Cause of death, place and date _____

6. Brief statement of service of father in the Armed Forces _____

7. Occupation of father _____ Income _____
8. Occupation of mother _____ Income _____
9. Number of children in the family under 18 _____ over 18 _____ and continuing education.
10. If you secure the gift, will you need to supplement with aid from other sources? _____
 To what extent? _____
 Scholarship Loan? _____ Scholarship Gift? _____
11. What is the applicant's income from all sources? _____
 (a) Are you receiving or applied for other scholarships? _____
 (b) Are you eligible for Jr. G.I. Bill benefits? _____
12. If there is a legal guardian, give name and address _____

13. Date and place of Graduation _____
14. Athletic Activities _____ Musical Activities _____
15. Condition of health _____
16. Name of school applicant wishes to attend _____
17. Indicate course of study _____ Time to complete _____
18. If you desire a loan, can you secure two (2) persons of financial responsibility in your
 community to sign the contract with you? _____
19. Is parent a member of The American Legion or the American Legion Auxiliary? _____
20. Write an essay consisting of no more than 1,000 words on the topic "My Obligation as a
 Hoosier Toward My Community, State and Nation".