

## ATTENTION SENIORS

If you attended Pine Island Elementary School or reside on Greater Pine Island or have an immediate family member who is a member of the American Legion at Post 136, SAL member at Post 136, AUX member at 136.

You qualify to apply for scholarships offered by the American Legion Post 136. We are interested in students attending 2- or 4-year programs, colleges, technical or trade schools. Some, time exemptions may apply to technical and trade schools that are accredited.

You can get your applications downloaded from our website at [www.post136fl.org](http://www.post136fl.org)

Applications need to be in no later than **May 16, 2023**

# American Legion Post 136

## Helping our Younger Generation get a helping hand.

The American Legion and its Family [Son's, AUX, and Rider's] are happy to be able to grant scholarships to qualified applicants. Scholarships may be used for tuition, books, or other acceptable costs of education for either a certification, licensing, or technical program or toward a college degree. Notification of Scholarship winners will be made May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Applications must be completed single sided, submitted by U.S. Postal Service mail and post marked no later than May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Mail your completed application form and packet to:

American Legion Scholarship Committee

PO box 776

St. James City, Fl. 33956

For questions, please contact: Ed Mitchell 239-246-7634

Please leave your name and phone number he will get right back to you.

**THERE WILL BE ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE SUBMISSION METHOD  
OR DEADLINE  
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REJECTED**

### Required Qualifications

Seniors graduating 2023 or a High School Diploma or Equivalent

**AND**

At least one of the following (complete all that apply)

- Applicant is a full time Greater Pine resident for one year or more.
- Former Pine Island Elementary student: Circle grades attended: K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- You are a current AUX or SAL member and have been one for more than one year.
- Immediate family member is a current Legion, AUX or SAL member for more than one year

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

## Please Read Carefully

Type or Print in ink (single-sided only)

Answer all questions in full.

(Answer "N/A" if not applicable)

This application will be rejected if these instructions are not followed

### **2022 Application Checklist**

A complete application packet will be postmarked by the submission deadline and include the following items.

- Application pages 1 thru 5
- Application Essay
- A copy of your high school or current higher-education transcript, including attendance record (high school students only).
- Two letters of recommendation. Each letter must be Dated 2023. Refer to page 6 for items to have included in your Letters of Recommendation.
  - A. High school students: 1 from a teacher and 1 from a guidance counselor, principal, or a non-family member.
  - B. Applicants NOT attending school or an institution of higher education: 3 letters: If employed, submit 1 letter from your employer, and 2 letters from non-family members. If not employed, submit 3 letters from non-family members.
  - C. Applicants attending an institution of higher education: 3 letters: 2 letters from an instructor or advisor from your current school and 1 letter from a non-family member.
  - D. Applicants being home-schooled: 3 letters: 3 letters from non-family members, i.e. librarian, clergy or other community leader.

I hereby attest that all the information provided within this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

2023 American Legion Scholarship Application

**Application Information**

**(Please Print in Black Ink)**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Housing / Financial Information:**

Do you live with your parents or legal guardian: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

(Most college housing student's permanent residence is still at home)

If you do live with a parent/guardian, please complete the following parent/guardian information:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

- Address: \_\_\_\_\_ # of years at this address
- Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_
- Current parent/guardian employers: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent attesting to the information above is to the best of my knowledge to be true and correct. Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not live with a parent/guardian, please complete the following:

(This does not include single college students unless emancipated)

Total annual household income, including governmental or any other assistance from family or friends: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Number of household members this income supports: \_\_\_\_\_

List any extracurricular (high school or college-related) activities, clubs or employment in which you participated, including length of time involved in each (use additional sheet if needed):

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List any community involvement or organizations and the time involved in each including year(s) of Involvement (non-school related):

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List any degrees, certificates, non-financial awards earned by or awarded to applicant:

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List any financial awards or scholarships received or expected to receive. Include those offered by the schools you have applied to:

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High School Weighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Unweighted GPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
High School/GED graduation date \_\_\_\_\_ College student current year \_\_\_\_\_  
Last school attended (or present school) \_\_\_\_\_  
I am on track to earn a Bright Futures Award: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_  
Indicate level: FAS \_\_\_\_\_ FMS \_\_\_\_\_ GSV \_\_\_\_\_

**Education Goals**

First choice school: \_\_\_\_\_.

Annual Tuition cost: \$\_\_\_\_\_. Annual Housing cost \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Name(s) and location of school(s) that have accepted you: \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_.

Planned curriculum or course of study: \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Application Essay**

Write an essay of your background, career and academic goals and why you should receive this scholarship. You must personally compose and write this essay. This essay must be either typewritten or printed in ink and included with your application. Add more pages if necessary.

## 2023 Letter of Recommendation Guidelines

**Applicant: Please make additional copies of these guidelines as necessary and provide this information to those individuals that you have requested to write up a Letter of Recommendation on your behalf.**

Letters of Recommendation:

1. Should be placed on appropriate letterhead whenever possible.
2. Must be dated **2023**
3. Must include the name of applicant
4. Indicate how long you have been known to the applicant and in what capacity.
5. Describe the applicant as a student/employee/person, in terms of effort versus ability.
6. Comment on the applicant's maturity, initiative, motivation, and breadth of general knowledge.
7. Describe the applicant's skills in oral and written expression.
8. Describe the applicant's overall potential for success.

Please sign, date and include your address and phone number on the letter.

**Important:** Letters of Recommendation must be completed as soon as possible and returned so that they can be included with the applicant's packet when it is mailed in.