

VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA
CHAPTER 10

SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE

To: Greater Cincinnati High School Guidance Counselors
Greater Cincinnati College Financial Aid Officers

From: Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 10
Scholarship Committee

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 10 is accepting applications for its annual scholarship program available to students from the Greater Cincinnati area who are pursuing their education beyond high school. These scholarships are available to veterans and their immediate family members/dependents. More complete guidelines are listed on the enclosed attachments. Applicants may be high school seniors or students already enrolled in college, technical or vocational school. Please make this information available to your students.

Also enclosed is a sample application and academic information request. **Please make your own additional copies from this form as needed. Additional copies can also be found on our website www.vva10.org.** All completed applications and academic information must be received by April 9, 2016 in order to determine and recognize recipients by May 16, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact:

VVA - Chapter 10
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
8418 Reading Road
Cincinnati, OH 45215

vva10@aol.com or 513-761-8007

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SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

PURPOSE:

The purpose is to provide funding to eligible students from the Greater Cincinnati area for an accredited college, technical or vocational education beyond high school.

COMMITTEE:

The Chapter 10 Scholarship Committee will screen applications and make final recommendations to the Chapter 10 Board. Recipients will then be chosen by vote of the Board. The decision of the Board will be final.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS:

Available funds may be disbursed up to a per person maximum as follows for one (1) school year:

Full-time students:	\$800.00
Part-time students - (3/4):	\$600.00
Part-time students - (1/2):	\$400.00

All payments will be made by check made out to recipient **and** the college. The initial installment will be made upon the college's verification of enrollment. Subsequent installments will be made upon verification of continued enrollment and satisfactory progress per requirements below.

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

1. Students selected must maintain a 2.0 or greater GPA (2.5 if on a 5.0 system).
2. Full-time students must carry the equivalent of at least 12 credit hours. Dropping of classes may result in termination of funding or change in funding classification.
3. 3/4 time students must carry the equivalent of at least 9 credit hours.
4. 1/2-time students must carry the equivalent of at least 6 credit hours.

ELIGIBILITY:

Veterans and their dependents who are U.S. citizens are eligible to apply. "Veteran" means a person who served in the armed forces of the United States on active military duty, was discharged from the service under **honorable conditions** and either served on active duty for reasons other than training or, while serving on active duty for training, incurred a disability recognized by the Department of Veterans Affairs or Department of Defense as service-connected.

Veteran status must be confirmed by the following:

- 1) Honorable Discharge
- 2) Under Honorable Conditions Discharge
- 3) General Discharge
- 4) General Under Honorable Conditions Discharge

Dependents for the purpose of this application are classified as follows:

- 1) A child or grandchild in or out of the home up to age 27
- 2) Spouse of Veteran in current marital status
- 3) Step child, adopted child or any other dependent in legal custody of the Veteran up to age 27

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Selection from among eligible candidates will be based on the following criteria:

- 1) Community involvement
- 2) Financial need
- 3) Character
- 4) Academic achievement

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 10 will be offering scholarships for the upcoming school year. The scholarships will be awarded in installments for each semester or quarter. The information requested on this form will help the Scholarship Committee determine your qualifications for this scholarship. It is to your advantage to give complete and accurate answers to all questions. **Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications must be received at the following address no later than April 9, 2016.** Send all information to VVA Chapter 10, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, 8418 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45215. Any questions can be directed to the Scholarship Committee via e-mail, phone or fax. E-mail is yva10@aol.com, phone number is 513-761-8007 and fax number is 513-761-2858.

Name _____
(Last) _____ (First) _____ (Middle) _____

Date of Birth _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

High School attending or from which you graduated _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____ Graduation Date _____

Name of high school Academic Advisor/counselor _____

College attending or applied to _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

Curriculum Major (if known) _____

Semester or quarter hours planned for coming year _____

Name of college Academic Advisor/counselor _____

List any VVA or other veteran group activities in which you have participated within the last three years _____

List high school, college and community organization or activities in which you have participated within the last three years (attach additional sheet if necessary)

APPLICANT'S NAME _____

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List special honor/awards you have received within the past three years _____

List part-time/full-time jobs you have held within the past three years _____

Do you plan to work while in school? If so, where and how many hours per week (if known)

If you are married, please complete the following:

Name of spouse: _____

Occupation of spouse: _____

If spouse is student, indicate full or part-time: _____

Number of dependents (spouse, children) : _____

Gross family income (you and spouse) : _____

If you are single, please complete the following:

Do you live with a parent? _____

If yes, specify which one (or both): _____

Occupation of father: _____

Occupation of mother: _____

Number of dependents of your parents: _____

Number of said dependents attending college: _____

Gross family income (**parents**) : _____

Your expected income: _____

Source: _____

Veteran Information (parent, grandparent, spouse, self, etc.)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Copy of Veteran's DD214 must be attached

I certify that the statements herein are true to the best of my knowledge and grant my permission for the information contained herein to be shared with the Scholarship Committee and Board.

Applicant's signature _____

Parent signature (If student is under 18 years of age). _____

Date _____

On a separate sheet, in 750 words or less (typed or printed) tell us about yourself, your goals, interests and any other comments you would like us to consider. Please include at least one paragraph discussing the importance of service to our country. Sign and date it.

Three letters of recommendation from individuals other than relatives are required. These can be mailed separately to the VVA Chapter 10 address.

VVA Chapter 10 does not discriminate on the basis of color, race, creed, religion, national origin, disabilities, age, sex or marital status in considering or choosing scholarship recipients.

APPLICANT'S NAME _____

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HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE ACADEMIC INFORMATION REQUEST

The purpose of this request is to obtain information about the academic performance of the applicant. It will be used by the sponsoring scholarship committee to evaluate the applicant's academic achievement. **Applicant must authorize release of transcript data.** Failure to do so may result in delay, improper processing or disqualification of the applicant from participating in the VVA Chapter 10 Scholarship Program. **Applicant shall be responsible for assuring that the school has forwarded the necessary information.**

The following named high school/college has my permission to release my official transcript and other information requested below.

(Name of high school or college)

Date: _____

Signature of Applicant

INSTRUCTIONS TO HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE

High School/College is requested to complete this form in support of applicant's candidacy for a Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 10 scholarship. Please complete the information below, attach copy of the student's official transcript, including grades achieved, and send to VVA Chapter 10, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, 8418 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45215. **ALL information must be received by April 9, 2016.**

Name & Title of Academic Advisor/Counselor/Official providing information: _____

Name of School: _____ H.S. _____ College _____ (check one)

Location of School (city & state): _____

For both high school and college student applicants:

Cumulative GPA: _____

For high school applicants:

College entrance test scores: CEEB _____; SAT _____; ACT _____

CEEB/SAT Verbal score _____; CEEB/SAT Math score _____; Test date _____

ACT composite score _____; Test date _____

High school class size (if applicable) _____ High school class rank (if applicable) _____

Signature _____