

THE AMERICAN LEGION



WESTERN DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF ALASKA

Richard D. Johnson
Memorial

\$1,000 Post-secondary Scholarship

The American Legion is proud to offer this post-secondary scholarship to all graduating seniors in Alaska who meet the fixed criteria. This scholarship is not based on exceptional grades or athletic abilities. This scholarship is designed for people who are ready to make a commitment to their future and invest in some form of post-secondary education in order to prepare themselves for the rest of their life. All post-secondary programs are acceptable including; college, university, vocational training, apprenticing, or any other program. What you have done in the past is not as important as what you want to do in the future. Please show your dedication to your future by completing this application on time and to the best of your ability. It need not be typed but please make it legible.

Please submit application to the local American Legion Post Commander on or before **FEBRUARY 15**.

Please be sure to include the following:

- 1) Completed application
- 2) Essay **
- 3) School transcript
- 4) 3 letters of reference

** The essay is to be a minimum of 500 words and should address your involvement in school, church, and community activities as well as why you think the United States patriotic organizations, such as the American Legion, are important to the world today.

Establish scholarship-judging criteria as follows;

- ❖ **FIXED CRITERIA**
- ❖ **Grades;** Average 2.0 to 3.0 G.P.A.
- ❖ Improving verses declining outlook
- ❖ The student that normally would not receive an academic scholarship

- **GENERAL GUIDELINES**
- **Involvement;** Community service, activities or American Legion Post involvement.
- **Need;** (e.g. one income family, not a lot of help from home).
- **Goals;** Must have defined goals, as defined as a graduating senior can have.

Application

Name _____
First MI Last

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Date of Birth _____ Social Security Number _____

Name of High School _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Estimated Parent Contribution (if any) \$ _____

Institution you are planning to attend _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Planned course of Study _____

Note: The deadline is FEBRUARY 15. Please have your completed application and all attachments submitted to your local sponsoring American Legion Post Commander no later than FEBRUARY 15.