

SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE

To: 1) Greater Cincinnati High School Guidance Counselors
 2) Greater Cincinnati College Financial Aid Officers

From: Chapter 10, Vietnam Veterans of America
 Scholarship Committee

Chapter 10 of VVA is accepting applications for its annual scholarship program available to students from the Greater Cincinnati area that are pursuing education beyond high school. These scholarships are available to veterans and their family members/dependents, as more fully set forth in the enclosed guidelines. 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 as needed, additional copies can also be found on our website www.vva10.com. All completed applications and academic information must be received by April 10, 2010 in order to determine and recognize recipients by May 10, 2010.**

If you have any questions, please contact:

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

(513) 761-8007

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SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

PURPOSE

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 applicants 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 to by check made out to recipient and the school. The initial installment will be made upon the school'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 that 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 and was discharged from the service under Honorable Conditions, and who 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 are classified as follows:

- 1) A child 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

In addition, grandchildren of Vietnam Veterans, whether or not dependents, up to age 27, are also eligible.

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

Chapter 10 of the Vietnam Veterans of America 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 10, 2010.** Send all information to VVA Chapter 10, 8418 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45215, Attn: Scholarship Committee. Any questions can be directed in writing to the committee, or you can call or fax our chapter office. Our phone number is 513-761-8007 and our fax number is 513-761-2858.

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

Social Security Number _____ 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 that you have participated in the last three years _____

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

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

List part-time/full-time jobs you have held in 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, 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 on 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, or religion, national origin, disabilities, age, sex, or marital status in considering or choosing scholarship applicants or recipients.

APPLICANT'S NAME _____

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 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, 8418 Reading Road, Cincinnati, OH 45215. Attn: Scholarship Committee. **Information must be received by April 10, 2010.**

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 _____

