

Scholarships February 2025-2026

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Veterans Who Keep Us Free”

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Brothers and Sisters,

Winter is here as we found out the weekend of Mid-Winter! Stay warm everyone and remember Spring is 59 days away!!

I reviewed the Program Goals at Dept Mid-Winter, for those who couldn't attend here they are.

- Student Participation
- Recipient Recognition
- Community Awareness
- Increasing the Fund

Continuing Education Scholarship is for Any Auxiliary member (who have been a member for at least one year) their spouse, son or daughter who are at least 21 years of age may apply. A typed application and summary of how this Scholarship will help you achieve your goals in 300 words or less. One winner will be selected from **each** of the four Conferences. This Scholarship is for \$1,250 and is **due February 15, 2026** to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters. **This scholarship is also National President, Lois Callahan's Special Project. Please consider making a donation.**

Young American Creative Patriotic Art contest is for grades 9-12 who have a passion for art.

Entry must be completed during the current school year

- Entry must be two dimensional
- Entry must be on canvas or paper.
- Canvas entries must be submitted on a stretcher frame or canvas board.
- Paper entries must be reinforced with heavy paper.
- Do not frame art with wood, metal, plastic or glass.
- Mats may be used, including mounted and floating mats. • Entries may not be smaller than 8"x10" and not larger than 18"x24" including mat.
- Acrylic, watercolor, oil, chalk, charcoal, ink, marker, pencil, mixed or other media may be used.
- If the American Flag is used, it must conform to the Federal Flag Code in relation to colors, numbers of stars and stripes and other pertinent rules of the code.
- Digital art and photography are not accepted.
- Completed typed or printed legible entry form including student and parent and/or guardian signatures.
- Typed or printed legible artist statement (250 words or less).
- **Student name on back of art entry.** Patriotic Art is due to local VFW Auxiliary by the **March 31, 2026 deadline.**

This scholarship is also in need of donations.

3- Dimensional Patriotic Art is also for grades 9-12 with a deadline to local VFW Auxiliaries by **March 31, 2026.**

Entry must be completed during the current school year.

- Entry must be three dimensional.
- Entry may not be larger than 18" in any direction.

- Entry may not weigh more than 5 pounds.
- Stone, clay, metal, wood, fabric, papier mâché, pottery, mixed and other media may be used.
- Digital art, photography, weapons, art generated by a 3-D printer and jewelry are not accepted.
- If the American Flag is used, it must conform to the Federal Flag Code in relation to colors, numbers of stars and stripes and other pertinent rules of the code.
- Completed typed or printed legible entry form including student and parent and/or guardian signatures.
- Typed or printed legible explanation of the steps taken to create the 3-Dimensional art entry and artist statement (250 words or less).
- **Submit at least 2 photos of completed art entry.**

Don't forget the National Award for Auxiliaries:

- Most creative and /or unique activity and /or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFE and the VFW Auxiliary.
- Citation and \$25 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the ten Program Divisions that hosts the most creative and/or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary.

Entries are due to the Department Scholarships Chairman by March 31, 2026.

Kansas VFW Endowment Scholarship is due to Department Kansas Headquarters by February 1, 2026. If you haven't donated yet, please do so soon.

Happy Valentine's Day everyone!

Loyally,
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