

THE MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (MOAA)
SCHOLARSHIP PROCEDURES

General

1. A scholarship(s) will be awarded each year to an outstanding High School Senior(s) who shows a potential for making a significant contribution to society in the future. The Scholarship committee will consider academic achievement, involvement in school activities and community activities. Financial need will not be a consideration.
2. The number of qualified applicants and the amount of money allocated for scholarships in any given year will determine the amount and number of awards. The Scholarship committee will make this decision after all applications have been received. The committee also has the ability to make a scholarship to an applicant who documents a hardship that he/she has overcome in his/her high school years. This is known as "The Presidents Award."
3. Suitable publicity regarding the award(s), eligibility and source of application forms will be accomplished not later than January of the award year. Cut-off date for receipt of applications from candidates will be **March 16th**. The Scholarship committee will choose recipients and alternates by April 30th of the award year. The time and place of the presentation of the award will be at the discretion of the committee. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to make all final decisions concerning the granting of all scholarships.

Eligibility: Graduating high school students of **active** duty or **retired** military families residing within the area of Northern Santa Barbara County are eligible. Students must attend the following High Schools to be considered by the Scholarship Committee; Lompoc, Cabrillo, Maple, Valley Christian, St. Joseph, Righetti, Orcutt Academy, Pioneer, and Santa Maria. **Students who apply for this scholarship must be in possession of a valid military ID card.** A photo copy of this ID must be included with the application.

Limitations:

1. Scholarships must be used at a four year accredited college/university or a two year accredited Community College (i.e. Allan Hancock, Cuesta, etc.) in the United States.
2. Scholarships must be used in the school year immediately following the date of the award unless special arrangements are made with the Scholarship Committee.
3. Scholarship money must be used for tuition, books and college related expenses.
4. Students accepting an appointment to a military academy become ineligible for this award. In this event, the scholarship will be given to an alternate.
5. Any unused portions of a scholarship award will be returned to the Scholarship Committee.

List activities in which you have participated during grades 9 through 12. Use additional sheets if needed.

| | <u>Activity</u> | <u>Office</u> | <u>Dates of Involvement</u> |
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| <u>Example:</u> | student gov't | Secretary | 9/15/13 -- 5/30/15 |

School

Community:

If you have not been involved in any activities, please explain (employment, etc.)

Do you work part-time? Yes _____ No _____ How many hours per week? _____

Any additional comments:

Name of institution you plan to attend: _____

What major field do you plan to study? _____

Using no more than one page, state your goal in life and how this scholarship will assist you in reaching that goal.

Obtain two letters of reference: One from a school official and one from a member of your community. Attach them to this application.

A copy of your official transcript (with GPA) must be attached to your application

Return the completed application with attachments, letters of reference, your goal in life, and an official transcript to your school's Counseling Office by **March 16th** of the year in which the application is made. **DO NOT MAIL THE APPLICATION.** A member of the MOAA Scholarship Committee will pick it up from your school counselor.

Use extra paper where necessary.

I have read and understand the eligibility requirements and limitations.

Applicant's Signature

Parent's or Guardian's Signature