



**THE NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF
FLORIDA
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The National Guard Association of Florida (NGAFL) has established a scholarship program to assist members of the Florida National Guard in pursuing advanced educational and academic opportunities. The scholarship program is open to enlisted, commissioned and warrant officers of the Florida National Guard who are current members of their respective association (NGOA-FL or ENGAF) and their dependents. Priority may be given to Guard members. These scholarships are awarded annually for eligible applicants who are currently attending or have been accepted for attendance at an accredited college, university, or vocational technical school in the State of Florida. A joint NGOA-FL and ENGAF scholarship committee administers the program.

1. Eligibility:

- a. Enlisted, warrants and officers in Florida National Guard and a current member of their respective association (NGOA-FL or ENGAF); or the
- b. Son, daughter or spouse of Florida Guardsman who is a current member of their respective association (NGOA-FL or ENGAF); and who is a
- c. Current student in good standing at an accredited college, university, or vocational technical school in the State of Florida. Applicants may also be a graduating high school senior accepted to attend an accredited college, university, or vocational technical school in the State of Florida.
- d. Previous recipients may apply and receive the scholarship in subsequent years; however, prior recipients compete on the same basis as a first-time applicant.

2. Evaluation Criteria: Scholarships are awarded based on the following criteria:

- a. Academics: Applicants must be in good standing with their school as evidenced by including a transcript in their application. High school seniors must also include a copy of their college acceptance letter. Applicants must demonstrate average or above average academic achievement, as evidenced by previous grades, test scores, etc.
- b. Citizenship: Applicants must show civic and moral leadership and character including truthfulness, courage, and devotion to the community and to the country as evidenced by letters, certificates or other supporting documentation.
- c. Need: Applicants must submit information demonstrating civic involvement, moral leadership, character that indicates commitment to community, state and/or county. .

3. Application procedures:

a. The NGAFL Executive Director notifies each FLNG unit via email in February of the application process and the deadline for packet submissions. Information concerning the scholarship is available on the NGAFL website at <http://www.floridaguard.org> .

b. Applications must be completed by the applicant and received in the NGAFL office no later than **30 June**. **INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE BOARDED.**

c. Each application is reviewed and boarded by a joint NGOA-FL and ENGAF scholarship committee. The applications are evaluated based on academics, citizenship and need. After the committee has processed the applications, the names of the recipient are submitted to the Presidents of NGOA-FL and ENGAF for final approval. Recipients and non-recipients will be notified by the NGAFL Executive Director and checks will be sent to the scholarship winners by mid-August.

4. Application packet contents:

a. Application packet checklist.

b. Scholarship application form. Must be signed by the applicant.

c. Copies of high school or college transcripts reflecting grades through the Fall semester immediately prior to the application deadline. On-line and "student copy" transcripts are acceptable. Graduating seniors must also include a copy of their college acceptance letter.

d. A brief statement with specific facts as to desire to continue education and anticipated occupation or profession. The statement must include the impact the scholarship would have on the applicant's ability to reach their academic goals.

e. Three letters of recommendation that provides personal character references of the applicant. Letters may not be provided by individuals related to the applicant.

Applications must be received by 30 June.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Deadline 30 June

Mail or email to:

Date:

NGOA-FL and ENGAF Scholarship Committee
Post Office Box 3446
St. Augustine, Florida 32085-3446
email: ngaf1903@floridaguard.org

Applicant's name:

Full address:

Telephone number:

Email:

Current status of applicant: (check one): _____ High school Senior _____ College Student
_____ Business/trade school student

Relationship to Guard Member (check one): Guard Member _____; Spouse _____;
Son _____; Daughter _____.

Guard member's name: _____ Rank: _____

Unit:

_____ Position: _____

Current enlistment expiration:

Full home address: _____

School or college you attend (or have been accepted to) and the address:

Activities in which you have participated in high school, college and your community:

Offices to which you have been elected in any organization:

Honors (scholastic, citizenship, leadership etc.) which have been awarded to you:

Statement of Financial Need

An approximate budget of college costs and an estimate of available resources must be outlined below. Include any extenuating circumstances such as family size, financial obligations and ability of the family to contribute to the costs of education.

College Costs

Annual Tuition and Fees _____

Books/Supplies _____

Room/Board _____

Transportation _____

Personal Expenses _____

Available Resources

Family's Annual Income

Savings Available

Loans Available

GI Bill Benefits

Applicant's Income

Bright Futures

Pell Grants

Academic Scholarships

EDD

Tuition Assistance

Total Costs

Total Resources

Statement of financial
need: _____

I have answered the above questions to the best of my knowledge and belief. In addition, if granted a scholarship and I fail to attend school for any reason other than sickness or physical injury, I agree to return any and all scholarship monies I received to NGOA-FL/ENGAF.

Signature of Applicant

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATION PACKETS WILL NOT BE
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ATTACH THIS CHECKLIST TO THE FRONT OF YOUR APPLICATION

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

- _____ Application Checklist
- _____ Scholarship application form. Must be signed by the applicant.
- _____ Copies of high school or college transcripts reflecting grades through the Fall semester immediately prior to the application deadline. On-line and "student copy" transcripts are acceptable.
- _____ College acceptance letter (graduating seniors only).
- _____ A brief statement with specific facts as to desire to continue education and anticipated occupation or profession. The statement must include the impact the scholarship would have on the applicant's ability to reach their academic goals.
- _____ Three letters of recommendation giving character references of the applicant based on the personal knowledge of the individual providing the reference letter. Letters may not be provided by individuals related to the applicant. Letters must include the current address, email and phone number of the individual signing the reference letter.