

Florida National Guard Foundation
P.O. Box 717
St. Augustine, Fl 32085-0717

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The Florida National Guard Foundation has established a scholarship program to assist members of the Florida Army and Air National Guard in pursuing advanced educational and academic opportunities. The scholarship program is open to the dependents of enlisted, commissioned and warrant officers of the Florida Army and Air National Guard. 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. This scholarship program is administered by the Board of Directors of the Florida National Guard Foundation.

1. Eligibility:

- a. Guard members and their dependents.
- b. 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. This scholarship is open only to those who have **NOT** received a scholarship in the past three years from the National Guard Association of Florida or the Florida National Guard Foundation.

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. Applicants must submit information demonstrating civic involvement, moral leadership, character that indicates commitment to community, state and/or county.
- c. Need: Applicant's financial need is determined by review of the Statement of Financial Need included in the Foundation Scholarship Application.

3. Application procedures:

- a. The National Guard Foundation Executive Director notifies each Family Readiness Coordinator of the application process and the deadline for packet submissions. Information concerning the

scholarship is available on the Foundation website: www.floridanationalguardfoundation.com.

b. Applications must be completed by the applicant and received in the Foundation office no later than **10 June 2017**. **INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE BOARDED. The packets can be mailed to FLNG Foundation, P.O. Box 717, St. Augustine, FL 32085-0717 or emailed to flngfoundation@gmail.com. You will receive an email when your packet is received.**

c. This year the Florida National Guard Foundation is proud to partner with “In God We Trust” Foundation to award scholarships to dependents of the Florida National Guard over and above the scholarships the Foundation awards yearly. Please ensure you check the block on the application that says dependent to be considered for this award. Funds for this scholarship come from sales of “In God we Trust” license plate.

d. Each application is reviewed and boarded by a Board of Directors of the Florida National Guard Foundation. The applications are evaluated based on academics, citizenship and need. The decision of the Board of Directors is final and all those who submitted an application will be notified either by mail or email by 10 July 2017.

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.

In 2017, the Foundation will award up to \$25,000 in scholarships over and above the scholarships awarded to dependents from the funds received from “In God We Trust” Foundation. The number of scholarships awarded will depend on the number of eligible applications received.

Applications must be received by 10 June.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Deadline 10 June 2017

Mail or email to: Date: _____

Florida National Guard Foundation
ATTN: Debra Cox
Post Office Box 717
St. Augustine, Florida 32085-717
Email: fngfoundation@gmail.com

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): 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 / Available Resources

Annual Tuition and Fees _____	Family's Annual Income _____
Books/Supplies _____	Savings Available _____
Room/Board _____	Loans Available _____
Transportation _____	GI Bill Benefits _____
Personal Expenses _____	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 Florida National Guard Foundation.

Signature of Applicant

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

INCOMPLETE OR LATE APPLICATION PACKETS WILL NOT BE BOARDED

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.