

**2017 THE AMERICAN LEGION, DEPARTMENT OF NEW JERSEY, SCHOLARSHIP and  
JOHN CASEY SCHOLARSHIP  
INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT**

TWO (2) \$4,000 EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS (\$1,000 year for four years)  
FOUR (4) \$2,000 EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS (\$1,000 year for two years)  
TWO (2) \$1,000 EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS (\$1,000 for one year)  
ONE (1) \$1,500 JOHN CASEY SCHOLARSHIP (\$1,500 for one year)

**PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING SENT IN ONE (1) ENVELOPE:**

1. Current completed application **MANDATORY**.
2. Photostatic copy of forbearer's Honorable Discharge and proof of dates of military service.  
(For John Casey Scholarship, proof as Combat Wounded Veteran)
3. Completed Summary of Activities (sample copy enclosed). **GPA, SAT scores, and class rank MUST** be on the Summary.
4. A certified transcript or photostatic copy of high school grades.
5. An original article, consisting of not more than 500 words, describing a person or event which impacted your life **MANDATORY**.
6. Four (4) letters of recommendation. Examples include:
  - a) Principal or counselor from the applicant's school.
  - b) Clergyman of the applicant's choice.
  - c) Two (2) from citizens (other than relatives) certifying to the applicant's Character, Americanism, Scholarship and Need.
7. A copy of both parents' (or married filing a joint return) most current IRS Form 1040, and at least Schedule A and B, and child support received, must be submitted **MANDATORY**.
8. A brief letter from the applicant stating the reason for his/her choice of vocation **MANDATORY**.
9. A copy of the 2017 membership card must be submitted **MANDATORY**.
10. All parts of the application must be received by the deadline, and will be **MANDATORY**.

**IMPORTANT**

**DO NOT USE ACRONYMS IN ANY SUBMITTAL**

MAKE SURE THAT THE APPLICATION FORM, COPY OF DISCHARGE AND SERVICE RECORDS, ALL LETTERS AND RECORD OF GRADES ARE MAILED BY THE SCHOOL, APPLICANT, OR THE AMERICAN LEGION POST COMMANDER IN ONE (1) ENVELOPE - DIRECTLY TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS AND IS **POSTMARKED NOT LATER THAN FEBRUARY 15, 2017.**

**The American Legion  
Attn: Scholarship Judges  
Department of New Jersey  
Building #5 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
171 Jersey Street  
Trenton, New Jersey 08611**

**Note:** It is the responsibility of the applicant to meet all requirements.  
School records and other confidential material may be sealed if necessary.

**ALL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY APRIL 16, 2017.**