

# MISSOURI NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

## PURPOSE

The Missouri National Guard Association offers one-year scholarships to Annual, Association, and Lifetime members of the Association or their dependents. These scholarships are for students wishing to continue their formal education in an accredited junior college, 4-year college or university who have demonstrated scholarship, citizenship and leadership to a high degree. The scholarships shall be administered through the scholarship committee of the Missouri National Guard Association.

## ELIGIBILITY

Scholarships will be awarded in two categories. Category I is for those individuals who are members in **good standing** of the Missouri National Guard Association. Category II is for dependents of members in **good standing** of the Missouri National Guard Association. Individuals who qualify as Guard members and dependents will be considered in both categories and will be awarded only the scholarship of the higher value. **The 2017 recipients of a MONGA scholarship are not eligible to apply for a 2018 scholarship.** The scholarships will be awarded on the basis of:

### **SCHOLARSHIP:**

Each applicant must meet requirements for entrance in the school of his/her choice and the applicant must have received average or above average academic achievement.

### **CITIZENSHIP:**

Each applicant must show evidence of moral force of character (Truthfulness, courage, devotion to duty, unselfishness and consideration for others). Testimonials from school officials are excellent sources for this information.

### **LEADERSHIP:**

Each applicant must demonstrate leadership in (a) Home, (b) School, (c) Religious, and (d) Community activities. In case of two applicants with similar qualifications, extra-curricular activities at school may be considered in order to make a decision. However, undue emphasis upon extra-curricular or high scholastic achievement is to be discouraged.

### **NEED:**

The need for financial assistance in order to continue with formal educational studies will be considered in cases involving students with similar outstanding qualifications in areas described above.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

The following items must accompany the completed application:

1. A copy of the applicant's high school or college transcript (First semester freshman must submit a copy of their high school transcript).
2. A letter from the applicant stating the following:
  - a. The desire to continue his/her education.
  - b. Description of how he/she has demonstrated (Scholarship, Citizenship, Leadership)
  - c. Requirement for financial assistance.
3. Three letters of recommendation attesting to the degree to which the applicant has demonstrated scholarship, citizenship, and leadership.

## **SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS**

Six scholarships will be awarded this year from the Missouri National Guard Association.

Two scholarships will be available for members of the association.

Two (2) in the amount of \$1000.00

Three scholarships will be available for dependents of members of the association.

Two (2) in the amount of \$750.00

One (1) in the amount of \$500.00

One scholarship which is underwritten by USAA and is designated for enlisted members of the association.

One (1) in the amount of \$1000.00

## **STIPULATIONS**

1. If the winner finds he/she cannot use the scholarship due to an emergency, or for any reason does not use it no later than the second semester of the academic year following the date of the award, the award will go to one of the alternates selected, and the winner may resubmit next year.
2. There must be repayment of the scholarship if the student withdraws from the school by his/her own desire or school administrator's request. The scholarship committee is given the authority to waive this requirement under personal hardship conditions.
3. **If awarded a scholarship the recipient must attend the Missouri National Guard Association Annual Conference concluding event scheduled for April 28, 2018 at The Oasis Hotel and Convention Center in Springfield.** Only the recipient's

concluding event expenses will be covered by the Missouri National Guard Association. Any family or guests are the responsibility of the recipient.

4. The sponsor of a dependent recipient must be a **current Missouri National Guard Association member** with a paid concluding event registration and is responsible for any guests accompanying the recipient.

5. Recipients of the member or enlisted scholarships must be a **current member of the Missouri National Guard**. Only the recipient's concluding event's expenses will be covered by the Missouri National Guard Association. Any family or guests are the responsibility of the recipient.

6. If a recipient is unable to attend a request will be considered by the Missouri National Guard Association Board of Directors on a case by case basis.

### **APPLICATION FORMS**

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP ALL APPLICATION PACKETS MUST BE **POSTMARKED** NO LATER THAN **APRIL 2, 2018** OR **DELIVERED** TO THE ADDRESS ON THE APPLICATION NO LATER THAN **APRIL 2, 2018**.

**Applicants may send any questions or inquiries to the Scholarship Chairperson at [john.p.martin86.mil@mail.mil](mailto:john.p.martin86.mil@mail.mil)**

Additional application forms for scholarship awards may be obtained from the Missouri National Guard Association website located at [mongaonline.com](http://mongaonline.com)

### **SCHOLARSHIP TIMELINE**

February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018 - Application distributed and posted to website

April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 - All applications due to the Scholarship Chairperson – an email will be sent to the email on scholarship application confirming receipt

April 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Applications reviewed by Scholarship Committee

April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Selected recipient names and recommendation of award sent to the Missouri National Guard Association Executive Board for approval

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Recipients notified of selection

April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 – Recipients awarded scholarships at Missouri National Guard Association Annual Conference at The Oasis Hotel and Convention Center in Springfield

**MISSOURI NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION  
APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP  
(LIMITED TO UNDERGRADUATES – NO ADVANCED DEGREES)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant E-mail

Check the box(es) that apply: I am applying for this scholarship as:

**(a) A member of the Missouri National Guard Association.**       Yes  
 No

**(b) A dependent of a member of the Missouri National Guard Association.**

Yes     No      **Member's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name)

Current School and grade level:

If currently not attending school state reason:

List organization and activities in which you have been most active:

List honors (scholastic, citizenship, etc), which have been awarded to you:

Have you received a Missouri National Guard Association Scholarship before?  
 Yes     No

If yes, what year(s) and the amount of the scholarship(s) received:

What accredited school or college do you wish to attend and what do you plan to study?

Have you been accepted     Yes     No     Application Pending

**ENDORSEMENTS**

**ENDORSEMENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN (IF APPLICANT IS A DEPENDENT)**

As the parent/guardian of the scholarship applicant, I declare that the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing statements are complete and correct. I am also attesting I am a current member, in good standing, of the Missouri National Guard Association. I approve of this application:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name and Signature Date

**ENDORSEMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR**  
(Not required if member is a Missouri Guard Retiree)

As the unit administrator of (MONGA Member's unit): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I declare that the Guard member is in good standing with this unit and has no AWOL's within the last 12 months.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Administrator's Signature Date Phone  
(Please print name)

**APPLICANT'S STATEMENT**

I signify that I have answered each question honestly and to the best of my ability and agree to the stipulation that I will repay any scholarship money received if I withdraw from school by my own desire or at the request of the school.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of the Applicant Date Phone

Return this application not later than April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 to:

**Missouri National Guard Association  
Scholarship Committee Chairperson  
ATTN: LTC John P. Martin  
2405 Logistics Road  
Jefferson City, MO 65101  
(573) 638-9827**

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_ (Date to be Entered by LTC John P. Martin)