

# Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



## Auxiliary Department of Idaho

### 2024-2025 General Orders

#### Scholarship #2



Fall is in the air, this means that school is going strong, and our **Patriot's Pen and Vice of Democracy** essay contest are due to your Post by October 31, 2024. One winner from each Post is due to District's by November 15. One winner from District is due to Department Headquarters by December 15, to allow time to order prizes for Mid-Winter Conference in January. Department winner advances to National Headquarters January 15, 2025,

Recognize the Patriot's Pen and Vice of Democracy with **Recognition and Awards** at this time by Giving Thanks at every level on those who entered the essay contest. Go to your VFW Post Commander to see how you as an Auxiliary may help with recognition and awards on all the winners. Help host an awards ceremony with the Post or District. You can give a certificate, a check or a gift card and even a simple thank you card. Don't forget to recognize the Parents and Teachers and all who participated in addition to the winners. Contact local media to feature winners in the news. Sample press releases available online in MALTA Member Resources this is a wonderful opportunity to showcase and promote the VFW and Auxiliary in our community **RECOGNITION IS VERY IMPORTANT!**

National VFW Auxiliary **Continuing Education** application process begins July 1 with a deadline of February 15. Scholarship recipients are notified by May 1. \$1,250 will be awarded to an applicant in each of the four Conferences. Applications are available from your Department Scholarship Chairmen or in MALTA Member Resource. Get the application out to your members. Be sure to have a discussion at your auxiliary meeting on how this can help with financial needs. Get the word out by using your Auxiliary websites and/or in your newsletters. For more details, visit [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org). or contact us at [info@vfwauxiliary.org](mailto:info@vfwauxiliary.org).

**Department of Idaho's VFW Auxiliary Continuing Education** application is for \$500, due February 15, 2025. Department of Idaho scholarship is to assist Auxiliary members who are currently furthering their education by pursuing a college degree or a career direction at a vocational/technical school (online school is acceptable). The spouse, son and daughter, granddaughter or grandson of a qualifying member are also eligible to apply. One scholarship is awarded each year to a selected candidate. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older. Qualifying members must have been a member of the VFW Auxiliary for one year by the application submission deadline. Previous Department of Idaho VFW Auxiliary Continuing Education Scholarship winners are not eligible. Please email Dorene Ray at [doreneray@icloud.com](mailto:doreneray@icloud.com) for an application.

Now is the time to promote the **Young American Creative Patriotic Art** and the **3-Dimensional Patriotic Art** by having your materials packaged for easy distribution with brochure and rules. Be sure to have dates and contact names and with awards that your Auxiliary and National give out. Have this information contests put in the local newspaper and local news channels. Ask to put **Young American Creative Patriotic Art** and the **3-Dimensional Patriotic Art** information in your local High Schools newsletter. Reach out to the local groups like the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and school clubs. Let the community know by having the information on Facebook, any social media, talk to member's grandchildren and home school students.

Patriotic Art and the 3- Dimensional Patriotic Art entries are due to:

- VFW Auxiliary by March 31,2024 (District Judging Optional)
- VFW Auxiliary Department April 15, 2024
- VFW National Headquarters May 5, 2024

You can Donate to the Patriotic Art Escrow Fund, Log into MALTA. Click on "Make a Gift" Select Patriotic Art or Mail checks earmarked Patriotic Art to:

VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters  
Attn: Patriotic Art Scholarship Fund  
406 W. 34th St., 10th Floor Kansas City, MO 64111

Scholarship Auxiliary Award No.1 2024-2025 Program Year for most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary. Citation and \$25 will go to one of the VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions that host the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary. Go to <https://vfwauxiliary.org> at MALTA Member Login under Member Resource where you can find information on the Scholarship Contest. If you need paperwork on the scholarship e-mail me on what you may need at [doreneray@icloud.com](mailto:doreneray@icloud.com) and I will e-mail or mail any information to you. Make sure to give E-mail or your Address were to send information.

***Wishing you warm and festive fun as you welcome in the holidays this year!***

*Going forward with National President Brenda Bryant theme: From Our Roots to Our Branches, Extending Service to Our Veterans. and Department of Idaho President Denise Sampo theme: "Together Everyone Achieves More!"*

Respectfully,  
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# VFW Auxiliary Department of Idaho

## 2024-2025 Continuing Education Scholarship Application



The VFW Auxiliary is pleased to present this Idaho Department Scholarship to assist VFW Auxiliary members and their immediate family who wish to further their education by pursuing a college degree or a career direction at a vocational/technical school.

The \$500 scholarship shall be used in the 2024-2025 academic year following completion of the contest. The scholarship will be paid directly to the American college/university or vocational/technical school of the awardee's choice.

**Eligibility:** Applicant **must** be one of the following:

- Current VFW Auxiliary Member and/ or the **spouse, son, daughter, grandson or granddaughter** of current VFW Auxiliary Member that has been a member at least one full year by the application submission deadline of February 15.
- Applicant must be **18** years of age or older by the application submission deadline of February 15.
- Previous Department Continuing Education Scholarship winners are not eligible.

Applicant Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant email: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to VFW Auxiliary Member: **(please circle one) Self, Spouse, Son, Daughter, Grandson, Granddaughter**

VFW Auxiliary Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date VFW Auxiliary Member joined: \_\_\_\_\_

VFW Auxiliary Member I.D. Number: \_\_\_\_\_ VFW Auxiliary No.: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **AGE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**On a separate piece of paper, provide typed answers each question listed below. All questions must be answered for the application to be considered.**

1. What is the name of the college/university or vocational/technical school you plan to attend?
2. Have you been accepted?
3. What is your intended major or course of study?
4. If currently attending provide most school transcript of your courses.
5. What are your financial reasons for applying for the Continuing Education Scholarship?
6. Have you been awarded Financial Aid from any other sources? Please list/specify?
7. Write a brief essay (no more than 300 words\*) describing your commitment to your goals and how this scholarship will help you attain these goals. *Essays longer than 300 words will not be accepted.*

**Complete this application in full and Mail To:**

Administrator Program

Dorene Ray

4674 Ramsgate Dr

Chubbuck, ID 83202

Or **email to:** [doreneray@icloud.com](mailto:doreneray@icloud.com)

**SCHOLARSHIP IS DUE**

**FEBRUARY 15, 2025**