American Legion Riders District 8 Scholarship Application

The Wisconsin American Legion Riders of District 8 will award three \$1000.00 scholarships in 2024. An award will go to: (1) a College-Bound High School Senior Boy, (2) a College-Bound High School Senior Girl, and (3) a Technical College-Bound High School student residing in District 8 (Marathon, Menominee, Portage, Shawano, Waupaca, Waushara, or Wood County). The student must be a son, daughter, stepson, step-daughter, brother, sister, step-brother, step-sister, grandson or granddaughter of a veteran, active duty service member, National Guard or Reserve member. All applications must include a copy of the veteran's DD Form 214, NOT an Honorable Discharge Certificate. A letter from the service member's commanding officer verifying active or reserve duty



status is also acceptable. Please black out the social security number on any attached documents. Candidates may only apply for one scholarship and their application must be post marked or received via e-mail on or before March 1, 2024.

Please follow the scholarship application criteria carefully.

- Applicants must use this PDF form for submitting their applications.
- If additional space is needed, please attach your answers to this application when submitting it.
- All essays must be 250 words or less and must use Arial 12 font.
- Applicants must provide a copy of their latest high school transcripts.
- Spelling, punctuation, grammar and content of essays, grade point average, high school extracurricular activities, community service, and other factors will be evaluated.
- Letters of recommendation guidelines:
 - O Submit **two** letters of recommendation. Choose someone who knows you well and can write about your character and activities with firsthand knowledge. Letters from members outside the school community would be considered most appropriate.
 - o Parents, immediate family members and fellow students are not eligible to write letters of recommendation.
 - Letters of recommendation must be <u>signed</u> by the writer and include a contact phone number. <u>Unsigned letters of recommendation will not be considered.</u>

Scholarships will be awarded during the Senior Awards Ceremony at each of the recipient's high schools in the spring of their senior year. The scholarship will be paid to the school of enrollment at the beginning of the second semester after proof of enrollment is received. Not following scholarship guidelines outlined above may jeopardize your application from being considered.

If you have any questions, please contact Paula Jensen at <u>jensenpaula075@gmail.com</u> or 715-569-3746