



THE ST. MARYS AMERICAN LEGION POST 103 SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

TO QUALIFY FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP, YOU MUST BE A STUDENT FROM ST. MARYS AREA HIGH SCHOOL OR ELK COUNTY CATHOLIC HIGH. A PARENT, GRANDPARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST BE A CLASS A MEMBER OF THE ST. MARYS AMERICAN LEGION POST #103. THE STUDENT MUST BE PLANNING TO ATTEND A POST-SECONDARY SCHOOL OR CERTIFICATE PROGRAM, BE ACTIVE IN SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND HAVE A MINIMUM OF A C AVERAGE.

For consideration this application must be completed and returned to the guidance office by **March 1**. There will be no exceptions. The Scholarship Selection Committee, appointed by the Board of Directors of the Elk County Community Foundation, will select the scholarship recipient.

THE ST. MARYS AMERICAN LEGION POST 103 SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The St. Marys American Legion Post 103 was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veteran's organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion of our fellow service members and veterans. The local St. Marys American Legion Post 103 established this scholarship to promote patriotism and to give back to family members, while encouraging education for our future leaders of our community.

TERMS FOR SCHOLARSHIP

The committee will grant the **St. Marys American Legion Post 103 Scholarship** as instructed. The selection of students to receive scholarship grants shall be made by the committee without regard to race, religion or sex of the applicants or their political or economic perspectives. The committee will not place restrictions upon a candidate's choice of college or trade school.

The committee shall require, prior to the disbursement of any scholarship, proof that the scholarship recipient is actually enrolled as a student at the educational institution for which the grant is made, and all scholarship grants shall be paid only to the education institution attended by the recipient and never directly to the recipient. This grant is towards tuition, fees, and books for the applicable fall or winter/spring term. If you have questions, talk to your guidance counselor or contact the Foundation at 814-834-2125.

The Elk County Community Foundation is approved as a PATH Program participant.

If you are awarded a scholarship of at least \$200 from the Community Foundation, we will submit your name to AES/PHEAA for additional scholarship funding through PATH. To be eligible for the PATH award, you must meet the following criteria: be enrolled in an approved Pennsylvania College or career school; be a State Grant recipient and have a Federal Student Loan; and demonstrate financial need for PATH Program Grant. PATH grants will not exceed the Maximum State Grant for the particular academic year.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS RETURN DIRECTLY TO YOUR GUIDANCE OFFICE

St. Marys American Legion Post 103

Type or print neatly in black or blue ink. Only complete applications will be considered.

Personal Information:

Last Name MI First Name

Street Address Apt. /Unit Number

City State Zip Code Home Phone Cell Phone

Sex: M F Date of Birth: _____

MM/DD/YYYY Name of High School Date of Graduation

E-mail Address

Parental Information:

Father's Last Name MI First Name

(If different) Street Address Apt. /Unit Number

City State Zip Code Best Available Phone Number

Name of Employer Employed Since

Mother's Last Name MI First Name

(If different) Street Address Apt. /Unit Number

City State Zip Code Best Available Phone Number

Name of Employer Employed Since

Who in your family is a **Class A member of the American Legion Post #103**

Academic Information:

High School Course of Study

Circle: Intended Enrollment Status: Full Time Part Time

Intended Post-Secondary Major Anticipated College Graduation Date: _____

MM/YYYY

Employment Information:

Do you currently have a part-time job? _____ If yes: _____

Position

Name and Phone Number of employer Wages

Educational Insights:

For the Summer/Fall Session, please list the names of the schools you have applied to. Indicate if you have been accepted to or are waiting to hear from the school.

1) _____ Y N 2) _____ Y N
Have you been accepted? Have you been accepted?

Of the above schools, what is your first choice: _____

Financial Information: change

Please enter your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number that can be found on the top of your Student Aid Report (SAR), which is generated after completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid Form

(FAFSA): _____. If this number is not available at the time of submitting the application, please provide details as to the status of FAFSA. Please fax or call the Community Foundation office when the number becomes available.

Attachments:

- Please attach an activity resume that highlights all of the school and service activities in which you have participated. Service experiences are defined as unpaid volunteer assistance hours that benefit the community or non-related individuals.
- Please attach a short, essay (250-300 words) answering the question: "Patriotism & citizenship- What America means to me?" The essay should be written with 1 ½ inch spacing, margins justified, 12-point font in Times New Roman. Check for neatness, spelling and structure.

I attest that all personal data included within this application is truthful and in no way misleading. All contents have been completed entirely by me (the applicant) to the best of my knowledge.

If I am selected as a recipient of an Elk County Community Foundation scholarship, I agree to permit the Foundation to confer with my school to verify my continuing enrollment during the term of my scholarship. I also agree that my name and photograph can be used in announcements made by the Elk County Community Foundation regarding the particular scholarship(s) for which I have been awarded. I also agree that by signing this I permit my high school to give the Elk County Community foundation information regarding my SAT scores, ACT scores, GPA, and class rank.

Awards may be used at any accredited, post graduate program within the United States.

Signature of Applicant

Date of Signature