



MISSOURI SCHOLARSHIP

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Hello everyone, I don't know about y'all but I feel like the summer has flown by so fast. School has started and it is time to get into the schools and promote our VFW Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest, Theme: Is America Today Our Forefathers' Vision?, VFW Patriot's Pen Essay Contest, Theme: My Voice in America's Democracy?, and our Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest and 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest.

If you know a teacher, talk with them and see if they would be interested in having the class do this as an assignment.

Walking for Scholarships:

I hope y'all are keeping track of the miles you walk. July 1st started our Walk for Scholarships. I feel we can all work together to raise money to build our scholarship



fund. I want this to be fun and a way to challenge you and your Auxiliary to walk for education. One way your Auxiliary can donate is to participate in a Walking Challenge from July 1 to December 31, 2024. You don't have to do it the entire 6 months. If your Auxiliary wanted to do just a monthly challenge that is okay. Also, I have been asked if you can ride a bike or swim to track miles. Absolutely, I feel any kind of exercise you are doing to help benefit yourself and raise money as you do it is awesome in my

book. You can pass out the "Track Your Miles" sheet at your meetings. Each month you turn in your walking form to your Scholarship chairman and they can email it to me or take a picture of the form with their phone camera and send it to me. Also, you can drop it in the mail too. My address is 705 NE Magellan Ave Apt. A, Lee's Summit, MO 64086. The money you have raised from the challenge you can send to Jackie Davis and in the memo box, write Walking for Scholarships. I will have a form available that you can use to keep track each week of how many miles you walk and how much money you get from walking. I have attached the Track your Miles below.

[Track Your Miles Worksheet](#)

Resources

In most libraries they have an informational board and you can ask to post the Scholarship material on the board. Visiting local church youth groups will also be beneficial to promoting the scholarship material. Include homeschooling groups in your area. I have attached a link to help reach out to the homeschool groups in Missouri

<https://www.time4learning.com/homeschooling/missouri/local-groups-co-ops.html>

In September students are in school and getting into a routine, that will be a great time to reach back out to the schools to share the scholarship material to the counselors or the Social Studies teachers. Another place you can reach out to students is the before and after school programs in your school districts.

Reminders of dates:

Continuing Education Scholarships:

This is for members and their family members. The application must be received at National Headquarters by February 15

Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest and 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest Grades 9-12

Deadlines: Participating VFW Auxiliary – March 31

VFW Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest, Theme: Is America Today Our Forefathers' Vision?

Grades 9-12 Deadlines: Entries to VFW Post – Midnight, October 31

VFW Patriot's Pen Essay Contest, Theme: My Voice in America's Democracy?

Grades 6-8 Deadlines: Entries to VFW Post – Midnight, October 31

Missouri Past National President Scholarship

Grade 12

The Department of Missouri offers two scholarships (\$1,800 and \$1,200) in honor of Mabel Tanner and Glenneta Vogelsang who served as National President to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary. To qualify, students must be a high school senior and the sibling, child, grandchild or great-grandchild of a current Missouri VFW or VFW Auxiliary member. Send application, transcript, letter of recommendation, and a brief essay to the Missouri Scholarship Chairman by April 15, 2025.

Online Reporting

When your Auxiliary is doing their online reports, please be advised to do a separate report for each scholarship you do. If you are promoting all of the program material it has to be in separate reports.