The Korea Veterans Scholarship Program is an outreach of the American Veterans of Korea Foundation (AVKF), a foundation founded by the Honorable Representative Kim, Jung Hoon, member of the Republic of Korea National Assembly. The AVKF’s mission is to provide support to American veterans of Korea and their families in appreciation for the selfless sacrifices of U.S. veterans for Korea’s peace and freedom during the Korean War and to honor their legacy.

Scholarship Program

This scholarship program consists of multiple $2,000 non-renewable scholarships. The funds may be used for any term during the next academic school year following receipt of the scholarship. Although this scholarship is not renewable, the applicants may reapply for the scholarship in subsequent years.

Qualifications

The applicant MUST be a descendant (child, grandchild, or great-grandchild) of a veteran of Korea who is a regular member, currently in good standing, of the Korean War Veterans Association. Descendants of deceased veterans are eligible to apply with proof of veteran’s service.

- Must be a citizen of the United States.
- First year student applicants must have a Letter of Acceptance as a full-time student from their university or college.
- Must be pursuing an Associate, Bachelor, or Advanced Degree in any discipline.
- Must have a minimum 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. GPA stated on application must be verifiable from transcript.
- High school and college transcripts must be submitted and must have school names printed on them.
- For high school students entering college, this is a cumulative GPA for grades 9-11 and first semester of 12th grade.
- For students currently at a freshmen level in college, it is cumulative GPA for grades 9-12 and first semester of college.
- For college students who are sophomores or higher, it is their college transcript for all semesters completed.
- Must submit a 300-400 word personal essay entitled, “Historical Lessons Learned from the Korean War.”

Note: Descendants of Korean War veterans who are currently serving as a member of the National KWVA Board of Directors and descendants of members of the Scholarship Selection Committee are not eligible.

Deadlines

All scholarship applications and requested materials must be submitted via U.S. Postal Service and RECEIVED by June 1, 2020. The Scholarship Selection Committee will not acknowledge receipt of applications. For verification that it was received, send the application via U.S. Postal Service Certified Mail. Faxes or emails will not be accepted.

Notification to Recipients

All scholarship recipients will be notified on or about July 1, 2020. Only recipients will be notified. Checks will be delivered to the Financial Aid Officer at the recipient’s college or university to be credited to the student’s account. All decisions made by the Scholarship Selection Committee will be final.

Scholarship recipients will be recognized in Washington D. C. in July 2020 during the commemoration ceremony at our Korean War Memorial. Detailed information will be provided to scholarship recipients at a later date. Although attendance is not mandatory, scholarship recipients are encouraged to attend. Underage recipients are encouraged to travel with an accompanying adult.

Required Materials

The following items are required to complete the application process. These items must be submitted in a single envelope in the order listed. All items received separately, except transcripts that may be mailed directly from your school, will not be considered.

- Application – must be on the original form, printed legibly or typed and signed.
- Essay – must be typed (double spaced), consisting of 300-400 words.
- GPA – submit all applicable high school and college transcripts.
- First year student’s Letter of Acceptance.
- Proof of service for applicant’s deceased Korea Veteran ancestor.

Mailing Address: American Veterans of Korea Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee, PO Box 1135, Lady Lake, FL 32158-1135
**Student Information**

Applicant’s Full Name _____________________________________________________________ Date of Birth __________________________

Home Address ___________________________________________________________________

City ____________________________ State ___________ Zip ____________________________

Phone __________________________ E-mail __________________________________________

Name of Applicant’s Korea Veteran Ancestor ________________________________________

Applicant’s Relationship to Veteran ______________________ KWVA Member #: ____________

Note: If Applicant’s Ancestor is deceased, applicant must provide proof of service.

**College or University Information**

The name of the school the student will be attending or is currently attending on a full-time basis leading to an Associate, Bachelor or Advanced degree.

In the 2020 Fall Semester I will enroll as a:

- [ ] Freshman
- [ ] Sophomore
- [ ] Junior
- [ ] Senior
- [ ] Advanced Degree

School ___________________________________________ Degree Sought __________________________

School Address ________________________________________________________________________

City ________________________________________________________________________________

Financial Aid Officer __________________________________________ Email __________________

Address __________________________________________ Phone _____________________________

**Current Information**

Cumulative GPA (as described on information sheet) _______/4.0 scale.

In the space provided in each of the following categories, list your most prominent activities, leadership positions held and honors/awards received.

**Scholastic Activities:** ________________________________________________________________

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**In-School Extracurricular Activities:** __________________________________________________

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**Community Activities:** ______________________________________________________________

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**Employment History, including Military Experience:**

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By my signature, I certify that all information and documents included in my application for this scholarship are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. Further, my signature certifies I understand that if the terms of the scholarship are violated, the scholarship will be withdrawn. (Terms: I understand that I must be officially accepted for enrollment in 2020 classes at the school stated.)

Signature ___________________________ Date ____________________________

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