

Northwestern Michigan Chapter, MOAA

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Dear Applicant:

The Northwestern Michigan Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) will be awarding \$500 to \$2000 plus academic scholarships to deserving high school students who are children and/or grandchildren (under age 24) of an Active, Reserve, National Guard, Veteran, or Retired military member from one of the eight uniformed services or a MOAA member. To be considered for this prestigious award, please complete the attached application and submit it to the above email address. Applications may also be mailed to the mailing address listed on the bottom of the application. Applications must be received or postmarked on or before November 14, 2025.

Winners and their parents/guardians will be invited to our Christmas Gala free of charge to be recognized on December 11, 2025, at the Traverse City Country Club.

For any questions or additional information, please email the Chapter Scholarship Chair at moanwmichapterscholarship@gmail.com.

Regards,

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Northwestern Michigan Chapter, MOAA Website: www.nwmimoaa.com Scholarship Program

Serving Children of Military Families, the Military, and Military Veterans Through Scholarships



Achieving Your Goals Through Education

Mission Statement

Northwestern Michigan Chapter, MOAA's scholarship program is established to provide monetary awards to qualified applicants pursuing undergraduate or graduate degrees from an accredited college or university or post-secondary certificates from a community college or accredited technical institute. Applicants must be children and/or grandchildren (under age 24) of an Active, Reserve, National Guard, Veteran, or Retired military member from one of the eight uniformed services or a MOAA member. Veterans who were honorably discharged within the past three years are also eligible for a scholarship award. Veterans must be pursuing higher education degrees at an accredited college or university or job-training and professional certification programs at accredited post-secondary schools.

Purpose

To provide scholarship awards, the Northwestern Michigan Chapter's Scholarship Selection Committee will recommend for approval to the Chapter's Board of Directors those applicants deemed qualified to receive a scholarship award. Selectees who meet or exceed award criteria through a competitive process and are Board approved will receive a monetary award in an amount to be determined by the Board of Directors. Award criteria are listed on the Application Form. Monetary awards will be designated specifically for academic uses such as tuition and relevant charges like course-related lab and computer fees and required books.

Donations

Donations may be made by anyone including members, non-members, businesses, organizations, and foundations. Scholarship donations made to Northwestern Michigan Chapter, MOAA are tax deductible and exempt status under IRC 170(c)(3) of the US Tax Code as an IRC 501(c)(19) Veterans' Organization.

To donate, please visit the chapter website: www.nwmimoaa.com

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I. General Information:

| Name | Date of Birth | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Address | City | |
| State Zip Telephone | E-Mail | |
| Name of High School | | |
| High School Address | | |
| Date of High School Graduation | High School GPA | |
| II. Intended College Major: | | |
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- **III. Transcript:** Your school must submit a current copy of your transcript showing courses and grades.
- **IV. ACT/SAT Scores:** Include a copy of your ACT or SAT scores, if available.

V. Essay and Military Relation Information:

- 1) Write a one-page essay about your educational background, goals, and your future educational plans. Provide this essay on a *separate page* and attach it to your application.
- 2) Write a paragraph which identifies who you are related to that is an Active, Reserve, National Guard, Veteran, or Retired military member from one of the eight uniformed

services or a MOAA member. Ensure you include the individual's name, military service/affiliation, and dates of service. Provide this paragraph on a *separate page* and attach it to your application.

VI. Resume: Write a one-page resume of your accomplishments in school and your community. Include any awards or recognition you received for your activities. Provide this resume on a *separate page* and attach it to your application.

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VII. Recommendations: Provide name, contact information, and a signed letter of recommendation from two people who would recommend you for this scholarship. At least one recommendation should be from a teacher or school official who can attest to your academic interests and strengths.

| Name: |
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| Address: |
| City, State, ZIP: |
| Phone: |
| Email: |
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| Name: |
| Address: |
| City, State, ZIP: |
| Phone: |
| Email: |

VIII. Evaluation Criteria: MOAA promotes the concept of "never stop serving." Therefore, the Northwestern Michigan Chapter of MOAA will use the following evaluation criteria to select the most deserving candidates: 1) academic achievement, 2) activities & involvement, 3) recognition & awards received, 4) whole person (leadership, service etc.). Candidates should note these items in their application and essay.

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| Signature of Applicant Date | |

Email Completed Application to: moaanwmichapterscholarship@gmail.com

Or Mail Completed Application to: Northwestern Michigan Chapter, MOAA
Attn: Scholarship Chair
4094 Hidden Creek Dr
Traverse City, MI 49684

Deadline for Application: Completed application including all supporting documentation

must be received or postmarked on or before **November 14, 2025.**

IMPORTANT:

Only <u>complete</u> application packages will be considered. Scholarship winners will need to attend either the Chapter Christmas Gala on December 11, 2025, or a predetermined Chapter event to receive the award in person. Winners and parents/guardians will be invited (free of charge) to the Chapter Christmas Gala for official recognition.

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