



**GREENVILLE ROTARY CLUB
VETERAN DESCENDENT
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The Greenville Rotary Club will award up to two \$2,000 to qualified recipients. The \$2,000 scholarship will be paid directly to the university or college of the recipient's choice.

Eligibility: Students must be any high school senior with a permanent residence within Hunt County (this includes any senior who attends ANY school within these districts). Financial need will be considered but is not the sole determination for award. Students must have maintained a grade average equal to a "B" or above, and must be a direct descendant - i.e. child, grandchild, great-grandchild, etc. - or a legally adopted child of a wartime U.S. military veteran who served on active duty during at least one of the periods of war listed below:

- World War I - Apr. 6, 1917 - Nov. 11, 1918
- World War II - Dec. 7, 1941 - Dec. 31, 1946
- Korean War - June 25, 1950 - Jan. 31, 1955
- Vietnam War - Feb. 28, 1961 - May 7, 1975
- Lebanon/Grenada - Aug. 24, 1982 - Jul. 31, 1984
- Panama - Dec. 20, 1989 - Jan. 31, 1990
- Persian Gulf War - Aug. 2, 1990 - Until cessation of hostilities
Includes Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, & War on Terrorism

Applicants who are Gold Star direct descendants will receive 5 bonus points.

Applicants who are direct descendants of current Greenville Rotary Club members will also receive 5 bonus points.

Proof of Service Documentation

ACCEPTABLE

- Form DD214 (Official discharge certificate)
- Official "Honorable Discharge" certificate
- Form DD1300 (Official military death certificate)
- Official record of burial in a military cemetery issued by the National Cemetery Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs
- Current or former military ID card
- Current or former LES (Leave and Earnings Statement)
- Official logbook entries from a military unit
- ANY OTHER DOCUMENT LISTED ON THE "Military Service Verification Documents List" (Linked below)

UNACCEPTABLE

- Any otherwise "acceptable" document that is illegible
- Obituaries
- Pictures of military headstones
- Pictures of servicemembers in uniform
- Entries in non-military and/or non-official records or books
- Membership cards from veterans organizations
- VA Healthcare Cards

The following locations may be of assistance.

- Many certificates of discharge prior to 1979 do not appear to be "official" documents as many were typed onto a sheet of paper. If you are unsure if it is an official document, please call Bob Jordan at 903-450-3205 to help you.
- The National Archives and Records Administration: <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/index.html>
- The County Clerk and Records Office where the veteran resided.
- The funeral home may have kept a copy if military honors were provided.
- Monument company if VA headstone or marker was ordered.
- If the veteran had utilized a VA Home Loan there may be a copy of the DD214 with the title documentation.
- Veterans who have signed up for EBENEFITS through the Veterans Administration may be able to obtain a printable copy from <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal>
- The State Director of Veterans Affairs may have received a copy of the veteran's DD214 at the time of discharge from military service. This will be specific to the state in which the veteran home of record.

Note: If more space is needed to answer any or all of the questions, please attach additional pages.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Are you a member of Interact? _____ Have you attended RYLA? _____

Have you ever participated in any Rotary Club's 4-way Speech contest? _____

If so, please give details:

Name of High School: _____

Number in class: _____ Grade Point Average: _____ Grade Point Scale: _____ Rank in Class: _____

Name the colleges or universities you applied to:

What schools have accepted you?

Where do you plan to attend?

What will be your major and what is your career choice?

How many other dependent children are in your family, and what are their ages?

Do you have siblings who are currently attending college or recently finished? Yes _____ No _____ How Many? _____

This question is very important and will be kept strictly confidential. In round figures, what is the total gross income in your family?

Is the annual household gross income affected by unusual expenses for any reason, (i.e., health expenses, etc.) that would have a direct effect on how much you family could afford to obligate to paying your higher education expenses? If so, briefly explain the expense and the annual amount.

Briefly list all honors and/or special recognition you have earned:

List extracurricular activities in which you participated (i.e., clubs, athletics, music, etc.) and any office or offices held. What was your favorite activity and why?

IMPORTANT! Please list all other scholarships and/or grants you have applied for and the response you have received and/or participate:

ATTACH the following:

- (1) Transcript of grades to substantiate at least a "B" average;
- (2) On a separate sheet, write in longhand a brief explanation on why you selected the university you plan to attend and include your reason for pursuing the area of interest you have chosen;
- (3) On a separate piece of paper, give each parent's or guardian's job title and a brief description of their duties and responsibilities;
- (4) Put in writing what you know about the Greenville Rotary Club.

Date: _____ Applicant's Signature: _____

DEADLINE: Completed applications must be received by – **April 1, 2025.**

Please email applications to kwilliams@geus.org.

Each student who has made the final cut will be notified of a time and place for an interview by members of the Greenville Rotary club.