

Walter Skipper Memorial Scholarship

American Legion Post 522-Hubertus WI has established this scholarship in memory of Walter John Skipper. Walter served his country proudly as a US Army Ambulance Driver in World War II. Following his active duty, Walter continued demonstrating his support for our country and for fellow veterans through very active membership in several veterans' groups. Walter's values are still inspiring his family today towards community service. Post 522 is grateful for the support we receive from the Skipper family and is proud to offer the Walter Skipper Memorial Scholarship to one Hartford Union High School graduating senior each year.

New for 2023, the scholarship amount has doubled to \$2,000.

Application Deadline: March 10, 2023

Scholarship Amount: \$2,000.00

Eligibility: This scholarship is open to all graduating seniors of Hartford Union High School (HUHS) or alternative schools within the boundaries of HUHS (private or home schools, etc.) who:

- Have maintained a GPA of 2.5 throughout high school
- Will enroll in post-secondary education within the year immediately following high school graduation
 - 2-year colleges, 4-year colleges, technical colleges and trade schools are all accepted
- Have demonstrated a history of community involvement through extra-curricular activities, community groups, faith-based groups, or similar community programs
- Provide proof that a relative has honorably served or is serving in the US Armed Forces
 - Qualified relatives include siblings, parents, grandparents, aunts, or uncles

Required Information:

- Copy of high school transcripts or equivalent documentation
- Two letters of recommendation from other than family (only 2 please)
 - At least one letter should be from a community involvement/volunteer group leader
- Proof of service for qualified relative (DD214 – please black out any social security or service numbers)
- Proof of relation to qualified veteran (birth certificates, genealogy report, legal docs, etc.)
- Your essay: This is your chance to share why you might be the best candidate for this scholarship and to tell us about you. There are only minimal requirements, so be creative in writing your essay. Have fun, and let your personality shine through while covering the following areas:
 - Share how your community service and volunteer activities have supported or related to the American Legion mission statement (<https://www.legion.org/mission>).
 - Share why you participated in those activities and what made them important to you.
 - Share your plans for future education, community service, and career goals and how those might continue to relate to our mission.
 - If applicable, share with us how a veteran may have directly influenced your life (need not be your qualified veteran).

The essay carries significant weight in selecting the recipient of this scholarship.

Walter Skipper Memorial Scholarship Application

Student Name:	
Parent/Guardian Name:	
Address:	
Contact phone number:	
Name of school planning to attend:	
Planned course of study:	

Include all required information with this form when submitting. Only applicant(s) who are chosen to receive the scholarship will be notified. Application materials will not be returned. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the awardee's institution.

Statement of Accuracy:

I hereby affirm that the information provided by me as part of this submission is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration in an accredited a qualified college before scholarship funds will be awarded. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the American Legion Post 522 scholarship program.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____

Submissions: must be received by **March 10, 2023**.

Email your questions or submission to sdetroye@gmail.com. Include "Skipper Scholarship" in the subject line and include your name and phone number in your message. All messages received will receive an acknowledgement or reply.

Alternatively, you may send your submission to:

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