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MEMORANDUM TO : POST COMMANDERS / ADJUTANTS

FROM : BOB RENNER, DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT

SUBJECT : AMERICAN LEGION COUDRET TRUST AND GARNER TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS

Please find enclosed Scholarship Applications and eligibility criteria for students to apply for a scholarship from The American Legion, Department of Arkansas. Two scholarships will be awarded for each of the four areas of the state, paid for by the interest derived from the Coudret Trust Foundation and the Garner Trust Foundation.

Note that changes have been made in the qualifications letter and the application. Previous versions of the application will not be accepted.

Please ensure that our scholarship programs receive as much attention as possible. This can be accomplished in the best manner through your personal contact with the high school principal/counselor in your local high schools and the director of the two-year colleges in your area. Make sure the members of your Post are aware of these scholarship programs.

Encourage the facility to make as many copies as may be needed for their school. We are sending only one copy to you now, in order to expedite the mail-out.

You may run off as many copies of the documents as needed or you may contact the Children & Youth Committeeman of your area or call Department Headquarters for additional copies.

When Legionnaires deliver these scholarship opportunities to high schools and two-year colleges in their communities, they've said more by such actions than a full-page ad in the newspaper.

Deadline for receiving the completed applications and supporting documents back to Department Headquarters is April 18, 2025. Remember to point out to the high school and college officials that to be eligible each participant should receive an application and a copy of the eligibility requirements in order to comply with the documents needed to be considered for the scholarship.

Remember this: Kids don't care how much we know, until they know how much we care.

Cc : Area Vice Commanders
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District Executive Committeemen
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