

ENLISTED ASSOCIATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD OF WEST VIRGINIA

SGM HAROLD C. PIERCE JR. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Enlisted Association of West Virginia (EANGWV) has established a SGM HAROLD C. PIERCE JR. Scholarship Program. The following persons are eligible:

1. Dependent unmarried sons and daughters of EANGWV members.
2. Spouses of EANGWV members.
3. Unmarried spouses and unmarried dependent sons and daughters of deceased EANGWV members who were in good standing at the time of their death.

EANGWV member applicants, parent or guardian of unmarried sons and daughters who are applicants and members whose spouse is an applicant must have at least one (1) year remaining on his/her enlistment following completion of the school year for which application is submitted, or have served 20 or more years in service.

Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500 for the current school year of applications, and applicants must be enrolled as full-time students at a college, university, trade or business school. Graduate students are not eligible for scholarships.

Awards will be sent directly to the recipient with each check made payable to recipient's choice of school. To receive the awards, verifications will be required to the effect that enrollment has commenced.

There shall be no consideration whatsoever given because of friendship, rank or grade of applicant, applicant's parents, or applicant's spouse. Neither shall the applicant's geographical place of residence be considered. Awards will be made on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership and merit.

All applications will be accompanied by:

1. A transcript of high school credits or a transcript of college credits for applicants already in institutions of higher learning.
2. A letter from applicant with personal, specific facts as to his/her desire to continue his/her education.
3. Three (3) letters of recommendation verifying the application and giving specific moral and personal traits (these may be from community leaders, ministers, educators, etc.).

4. One (1) letter of academic reference (should be from principal, counselor, dean or professor).
5. Photocopy of state Membership Card (parent, spouse or yours, if you are a member).

Former recipients of a SGM HAROLD C. PIERCE JR. Scholarship Award are not eligible to re-apply. Those persons who have applied for scholarship award and were not selected may reapply.

If the recipient does not complete the school term for which the scholarship is awarded, due to any cause other than sickness or physical injury, the recipient will refund the award to the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of West Virginia within sixty (60) days from the date enrollment has terminated.

All scholarship applications will be sent to the scholarship chairpersons. Each application will be reviewed for completeness for all required materials before being considered for selection process.

Deadline date for all applications for scholarship will be observed in all instances.

In the event of mobilization of the membership of EANGWV, which would interrupt the functions of this program, the remaining funds will be placed into a trust fund until such time an EANGWV shall once again become active.

The composition of the SGM HAROLD C. PIERCE JR. Scholarship Committee shall be made up as follows:

1. Co-Chairpersons: These people will be the State Command Sergeant Major and the State Senior Enlisted Advisor and have no vote in the selection process except to break a tie vote.
2. The remainder of the committee shall be made up of five (5) Senior Non-Commissioned Officer with the grade of E-7 thru E-9 with each having an associate degree or higher.

Mrs. Harold C. Pierce Jr. shall be a permanent associate member of this committee. She has no vote and will serve in a steering or advisory capacity only.

Recommend a SGM HAROLD C. PIERCE JR. Scholarship Account be established. The Executive Council of EANGWV at each State Conference will direct the treasurer of EANGWV to place \$1000 into this account annually. Any designated funds received for scholarships will also be placed in the Scholarship Account.

There will be two (2) or more scholarships awarded each year. The applications for scholarship must be postmarked no later than 1 April each year.

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SGM Harold C. Pierce Jr. Scholarship Program

Checklist

The following is a suggested guideline for Co-Chairpersons and Committee to use for submission of applications:

- [1] Read the State Program and make yourself thoroughly familiar with the requirements.
 - [2] Be certain all units in the state have copies of both the program and application.
 - [3] Check each application to see that they are complete – to include all required supporting material.
 - [4] Be sure the deadline (postmark) for submission to state scholarship chairperson(s) of **not later than 1 April** is observed on all applications.
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SGM HAROLD C. PIERCE JR. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

HOME ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____
(City, State, Zip Code)

BIRTH DATE: _____ SEX: _____ SINGLE () MARRIED ()

Current Membership Card Number: _____

Name, rank, address, telephone number and unit of parent/spouse or of National Guard member:

Expiration date of enlistment of parent/spouse/member: _____

Current status of applicant: (Check one)
High School () College () Business/Trade School ()

Have you received any other scholarships? Yes () No ()

If so, specify: _____

List activities in which you have participated (School/Church/Community): _____

List offices to which you have been elected in any organization: _____

List honors (School/Athletic/Citizenship, etc.) which you have been awarded: _____

List name and address of university, college, trade/business school you plan to attend: _____

**If additional space is needed to answer questions, you may use separate sheets and attach.
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I have answered the above questions to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Signature of parent/spouse if applicant is not a member)

If granted a scholarship and I fail to complete the school term for reason other than sickness or physical injury, I agree to return any scholarship monies received by me to the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of West Virginia.

I further state that I consent to providing the information requested in this application. I have provided this information freely and voluntarily and hereby waive any objections to providing this information which might be made pursuant to the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C., Section 552a. The Enlisted Association of the National Guard of West Virginia has my permission to use the information given in considering and processing this application.

(Signature of Applicant)

(Date)

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY:

1. A copy of applicant's school transcript.
2. A letter from applicant with specific facts as to desire to continue his/her education and why financial assistance is required.
3. Three (3) letters of recommendation verifying this application and giving general personal traits. (must be from Minister, community leader, etc.)
4. Letter of academic reference (Principal, Dean or Counselor).
5. Photocopy of state and/or State Membership Card (parent, spouse or yours, if you are a member).

COMPLETE AND MAIL TO:

Your State Command Sergeant Major or State Command Chief Master Sergeant, who will check for completeness, eligibility and confirm your application is ready for the selection committee.

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