



**The American Legion
National Americanism Commission
P. O. Box 1055
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206**



MEMORANDUM

TO: Department Baseball Chairmen and Department Adjutants
FROM: Gary Stone, Chairman, American Legion Baseball Committee
SUBJ: **AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP AND ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM SCHOLARSHIP**

I am pleased to inform you that The American Legion will once again award a scholarship of \$500 to a deserving American Legion Baseball player selected by your Department.

Diamond Sports, the “Official Baseball” of American Legion Baseball national tournaments will again sponsor the All-Academic Team which will be selected by the scholarship committee at the World Series in Shelby. Nine players will be selected from the 50 state winners and will receive additional scholarship funds. Eight players will receive a \$2,500 scholarship for being selected a member of the *All-Academic Team* and a ninth player – the “*Captain*” of the *All-Academic Team* will receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

The application process is the same as in previous years. The original scholarship application is due at Department Headquarters by **July 15th**. The department must select a winner by **August 4, 2019** and the original application and photograph must be mailed to the American Legion World Series Headquarters, 117-A W. Warren Street, Shelby, North Carolina 28150 and received no later than close of business on **Friday, August 9, 2019** to be consider for the 2019 All-Academic Team.

The eligibility requirements to awarding the scholarship are outlined in the application.

1. Players must be listed on the 2019 roster and the team must be affiliated with an American Legion Post. **Teams sponsored by an outside sponsor are not eligible for this scholarship.**
2. The scholarship can only be awarded to a player who will attend college.
3. The scholarship is to be awarded based on an individual’s outstanding leadership, citizenship, character, scholarship, and financial need. (*The scholarship cannot be awarded to the tournament MVP, since this is in violation of NCAA rules.*)
4. Three letters of testimony are required.
5. The post commander must sign the application.
6. A transcript of grades must be provided.
7. No additional pages, letters of testimony are permitted.

The application is available online www.legion.org/baseball/resources.

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The Department Baseball Committee is responsible for selecting a player that demonstrates outstanding leadership, citizenship, character, scholarship, and financial need.

Scholarships may be used to attend a college or university selected by the student, providing it is accredited, above the high school level. The college or university must be located within the limits of the United States, except in the case where the winner may be from a possession of the United States in which case he/she can select a school in that possession or in the continental United States.

Disbursement of the scholarship funds is through online request and checks will be made jointly to the student and the school at the beginning of the semester. The student has eight (8) years to utilize the scholarship funds from the date the scholarship was awarded, excluding any time spent on active military duty. The scholarship may be used for postgraduate work and summer college classes.

Winners are required to submit online a Scholarship Fund Request Form for each semester.

Scholarship funds may only be used to defray the necessary costs of a student's education (tuition, books, student fees, and boarding charges). Funds will cease to be paid if the winner terminates school attendance, for any reason, regardless of balance remaining in fund.

Please make certain your applicant is qualified and the application is received by the deadline!

PLEASE MAIL, UPS OR FEDEX THE CERTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT WINNER, THE ORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION AND PHOTO OF YOUR DEPARTMENT TO AMERICAN LEGION WORLD SERIES HEADQUARTERS OFFICE – NO LATER THAN AUGUST 9, 2019
DO NOT FAX, SCAN OR EMAIL APPLICATION
Contact Steve Cloud at baseball@legion.org to confirm receipt of scholarship application and certification form.

Mail, UPS, or FedEx to –

American Legion World Series Headquarters
Attention: ALWS Scholarship Committee
117-A West Warren Street
Shelby, NC 28150



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***CERTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT
AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP WINNER***

(PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Department: _____

Student's Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Telephone: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

College or University Attended
Or Planning To Attend: _____

Signature of Department
Baseball Chairman: _____

Date Approved: _____

Number of Applications Reviewed By Baseball Committee: _____

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