

EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM – BACCALAUREATE

PURPOSE: To promote, reward, and encourage academic scholarship in the pursuit of higher education.

ELIGIBILITY: Awardee must meet one of the following eligibility criteria:

- a. A WINGA member.
- b. An unmarried dependent son or daughter (to include stepsons and step-daughters) of a WINGA member.
- c. Spouse of a WINGA member.

Additional eligibility criteria:

- a. High school students are not eligible until after the first year of college is completed.
- b. Graduate level students are not eligible for this award.
- c. Two time awardees of this grant are not eligible for additional award of this grant.
- d. Awardee must be enrolled as a full-time student and completed their first year of study at a recognized college, university, technical college, trade or business school which awards a degree.
- e. WINGA member dues must be paid for the current year.

DESCRIPTION: The Education Grant award is \$500.00.

CRITERIA:

- a. Applicants must have achieved at least 3.0 annual grade point average (GPA) for academic year preceding application to be considered for a grant.
- b. Applicants will provide additional information about themselves to include extra-curricular activities, community involvement, work experience and goals.

NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURES: Application packets must be received in the WINGA Inc. Office by the deadline of 15 July of the current year. Applications should be mailed to: Wisconsin National Guard Association, Inc., 2400 Wright St. Room 208, Madison, WI 53704-2572. Application packets must be complete and accurate. Incomplete packets may disqualify applicants. The following items will be included:

- a. Copy of applicant's transcript that clearly shows annual grade point average (GPA) for preceding academic year. Grade reports and other forms/reports showing grades are not an acceptable substitute for transcripts.
- b. Scholarship application form. This form is available on the WINGA web site at www.winga.org or by requesting one from the WINGA Office at 608-242-3114. A letter format may be used in lieu of the scholarship form as all information on the scholarship form are addressed in the letter.

PROCESSING:

- a. Applications will be reviewed and selection made by the Awards, Gifts, and Grants (AG&G) Committee. Members of the AG&G Committee are appointed by the President, WINGA, Inc. Decisions of the AG&G Committee are final and cannot be appealed. At least two alternates will be selected to receive grants if any are forfeited.
- b. Awardees will receive notice of eligibility for the grant. Upon certification of enrollment by the school for the academic year, a check will be forwarded to the school for deposit to the students account.