



# ARMY SNIPER ASSOCIATION

Supporting Our Members and their Families

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To: Army Sniper Association (ASA) members, their children and family

Subject: Announcement of the 2024 ASA, SFC Earl S. Ellis Memorial Scholarship Program

The ASA, SFC Earl S. Ellis Memorial Committee is proud to announce the 2024 Scholarship Program. The association recognizes challenges associated with receiving a quality education. Assisting our regular members' students in achieving their academic goals is a key objective of the association. In support of this effort ASA's SFC Earl S. Ellis Memorial Committee is offering college scholarships for selected regular members, their children and spouses.

Proceeds from ASA fund raising activities, special events, and direct donations from sponsors allow the association to fund this year's scholarship program. Providing these scholarships is not possible without member support and the gracious donations received from sponsors.

Rules and regulations for this year's scholarship program are enclosed. Please read them carefully. The application process for this year's scholarship program begins December 15, 2023. To qualify, submitted applications require a postmark or e-mail receipt date no later than February 15, 2024. Awardees are announced via e-mail March 1, 2024. A scholarship awards ceremony is conducted in conjunction with the International Sniper Competition awards banquet at Columbus, GA. 11 April 2024, all scholarship awardees are encouraged to attend.

On behalf of ASA and the SFC Earl S. Ellis Memorial Committee, we wish all students continued success achieving their college or vocational training goals. We looked forward to receiving your applications.

Sincerely,

Ron Kuykendall  
President  
Army Sniper Association

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# Army Sniper Association's SFC Earl S. Ellis Memorial Scholarship Program Policies, Requirements and Evaluation

*Please read and follow the instructions carefully.*

## Submission of Applications

Application packets require a postmark *prior to February 15, 2024*. Applicants and/or Parents are not permitted to hand-carry or send application packets through inter-office mail or to any other address other than the P.O. Box. This is to ensure all applications are received in the same manner.

**ASA, SFC Stan Ellis**  
**Scholarship Committee Chairman**  
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## Scholarship(s) Value

Selected applicants will each receive *\$5,000 scholarships* deposited to the educational department identified in their *Scholarship Information Sheet*.

## Eligibility

1. Scholarships are awarded on an unbiased basis. No scholarship is awarded based solely on race, creed, sex, education or financial need. ASA and its sponsors award scholarships based on the requirements of the ASA scholarship screening process that selects the most qualified applicants.
2. ASA scholarship policy requires applicants to meet one of the following requirements:
  - a. Is an ASA member or a B4 qualified Sniper (active or retired)
  - b. A biological or adopted child, step-child (dependent child of current legal/lawfully wed spouse, of an ASA member or a B4 qualified Sniper (active or retired)
  - c. A child under the legal guardianship (must be court-ordered) of an ASA member or a B4 qualified Sniper (active or retired).
  - d. A child of an ASA member or a B4 qualified Sniper (active or retired), whose life was lost in the line of duty.
  - e. A child of an ASA member or a B4 qualified Sniper (active or retired) who suffered a non-line of duty death while serving on active duty at the time of his/her death.
  - f. Grandchildren of an ASA member or a B4 qualified Sniper (active or retired) *do not* qualify unless they possess court documentation showing they are the legal guardian or adoptive parent of that child.

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3. If awarded an ASA, SFC Stan Ellis Memorial Scholarship, the recipient is no longer eligible to apply for this scholarship in the future. Previous applicants who were not awarded this scholarship may apply again in the future.

4. ASA scholarship policy requires all applicants be accepted or enrolled in a College, University or Vocational School recognized by the current issue of Accredited Institutions or State Department of Labor. Applicants from all of the United States and Overseas are welcome to apply.

5. ASA scholarship policy requires applicants be a full-time student and carry a minimum course load equivalent to 12 credit hours per semester.

6. ***Proof of eligibility is required.*** Accepted documentation includes a valid ASA Membership number or a B4 award/certificate or DD214 depicting a B4 ASI for the applicant, applicant's spouse, parent or guardian. ***Lack of "Proof of Eligibility" is considered an incomplete packet and will result in non-consideration.***

7. Bonus points are awarded to qualifying children with learning disabilities. The Scholarship Committee will determine if the applicant qualifies for bonus points. Children enrolled in the public school system, with "IEP's" will automatically qualify for bonus points. Children who were Home-Schooled or attended a Private School are required to submit appropriate paperwork documenting the learning disability to qualify for bonus points. Bonus points, (maximum 2) are added to the applicant's final score total.

### **Education Requirements**

1. Applicants must have received ***a minimum grade point average of 2.0 for the current year*** in which they are applying for the ASA, Stan Ellis Memorial Scholarship.

2. Applicants must submit an ***official transcript*** from ***the current or most recent*** college, university or high school attended. Transcripts must reflect the applicant's current grade point average. Applicants must include these transcripts as a component of the scholarship application packet.

3. The applicant's ***acceptance letter*** from a college, university or vocational school to attend is required. If the applicant is to attend a community college, please submit a receipt of application or registration. For applicants currently enrolled in an approved college or university, a transcript will suffice. ***Lack of acceptance letter, receipt of application/registration or current transcript is considered an incomplete packet and will result in non-consideration.***

### **Essay Rules**

Applicants must write an autobiographical essay, which includes educational goals, documentation of hours of community volunteer work completed, extra- curricular activities completed in high school and/or college, and career aspirations. Essays are ***not less than 500 words***, typed and double-spaced. Essays are graded on content, spelling, and grammar. ***Lack of an "Autobiographical Essay" is considered an incomplete packet and will result in non-consideration.***

## **Letters of Recommendation**

The applicant must obtain and submit *two (2) letters of recommendation* from a person in the community other than family members. The letters of recommendation are a required component of the application packet. *Lack of “Letters of Recommendation” is considered an incomplete packet and will result in non-consideration.*

## **Scholarship Application Packet (must include the following):**

1. Scholarship Information Sheets
2. Proof of eligibility
3. Official Transcript(s)
4. Admission or Acceptance letter to Accredited College, University or Vocational School/ Program; current transcript if enrolled in college or university
5. Autobiographical Essay
6. Documentation of Community Service (applicant can include in their essay or insure it is documented in their transcript)
7. (2) Letters of Recommendation

## Scholarship Information Sheets

<b>Student's Information - To Be Completed By Student</b>
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***Failure to complete all required information could result in disqualification.***

### ***Student Information:***

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Last*

*First*

*Middle Initial*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Street*

*City*

*State*

*Zip Code*

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Check all that apply*

Military Member/Dependent  High School Student  Current College/Trade Student

Other (describe) : \_\_\_\_\_

ASA Member full name and relation: \_\_\_\_\_

### ***College, University or Vocational Program/School information:***

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrar, bursar or office for transfer scholarship funds:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

*Street*

*City*

*State*

*Zip Code*

### ***Family information:***

Mother/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Father/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Education History</b>
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**High School and Graduation Date** *(if applicable):*

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street*
*City*
*State*
*Zip Code*

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_ [ ] ACT [ ] SAT Score: \_\_\_\_\_

***If Enrolled Post High School:***

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street*
*City*
*State*
*Zip Code*

Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_

***List of other Colleges/University/Vocational Technical School(s) to which you have applied:***

Name	Accepted	
	Yes	No