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## SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM July/August 2021

Welcome to a new year for Scholarships. I know it's summertime, but teachers will be doing their lesson plans for the new school year. Now is the time to contact the schools and get the information to them. You can also use the sample press releases at [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org) to do radio and newspaper spots. Social media is another great way to promote the scholarships.

The theme for the **Voice of Democracy** this year is “**America: Where Do We Go From Here?**”. This essay contest is open to students in grades 9-12 and they must be a resident of Missouri. Deadline to your local VFW Post is October 31, 2021

The theme for the **Patriot's Pen** this year is “**How Can I Be a Good American?**”. This essay contest is open to students in grades 6-8 and a resident of Missouri. Deadline to your local VFW Post is October 31, 2021

The **Continuing Education Scholarship** is open to any VFW Auxiliary member (who has been a member for at least a year), their spouse, son or daughter with a financial need. They must be at least 18 years old. Deadline to the National Headquarters by February 15, 2022.

Mail Entries to:  
Program Awards Administrator  
VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters  
406 W. 34th Street, 10th Floor  
Kansas City, MO 64111  
Or via email: [info@vfwauxiliary.org](mailto:info@vfwauxiliary.org)

The **Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest** is open to students in grades 9-12. Students do not have to be related to members of the VFW or VFW Auxiliary. Deadline to your local post is March 31, 2022.

The **Past National President's Scholarship** is to honor 2 National Presidents for their service. The students must be a Senior and show leadership qualities. They must have or have had a family member that was a member of the VFW or VFW Auxiliary. The form can be found online at [www.movfwaux.org](http://www.movfwaux.org) It needs to be submitted to the Department Chairman by April 15, 2022

All contest forms can be found online at either [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org) or [www.vfwauxiliary.org](http://www.vfwauxiliary.org)

Make sure you go over the eligibility and rules so you can answer questions.