

Dr. John L. Coaxum Scholarship

Samuel J. Bush Post 207 - The American Legion
23 Chowan Creek Bluff, Beaufort, SC 29907
beaufortpost207.org

2024 Education Scholarship

Guidelines

The Samuel J. Bush Post 207, the American Legion, has established a \$1,000 scholarship opportunity for high school seniors at seven select high schools in Beaufort County. High school seniors who have been accepted to a 4-year college, plan to pursue a degree in education, and meet the following criteria may apply.

- Must be graduating from Battery Creek High School, Beaufort Academy, Beaufort High School, Bridges Prep, Christian Academy, John Paul, or Whale Branch High School in the Spring of 2024. One student at each school will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship.
- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Complete all parts of the application.
- Applications may be downloaded from Post 207's website at www.beaufortpost207.org.
- Submit a Letter of Recommendation from your guidance counselor, teacher, pastor, or community leader.
- Submit a Letter of Commitment from the college or community college for the Fall of 2024.
- Submit a personal essay addressing your reasons for pursuing a degree in education. The essay must be 100-250 words in length.
- Applicants must have the endorsement of their School Counselor on their application attesting they are qualified for this scholarship. Post 207 *strongly suggests that each high school present this opportunity to the strongest applicants that match this program's guidelines*. The application deadline is April 30, 2024. Late applications will not be accepted.
- Applications will be reviewed and recipients selected by a committee consisting of local veterans. The scholarship recipients will be selected in May 2024.
- Scholarship funds will be paid *in August 2024* directly to the college and not to the student. It will be the student's responsibility to submit to the Post an invoice for tuition and fees, student ID number, and college information.
- **Mail the completed original application package to:**
This includes the application with signoff by Guidance, Department, Essay, Letter of Commitment, and Letter of Recommendation.

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PO Box 1526
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Please submit any questions to beaufortpost207@gmail.com or call a committee member listed below.

Mary Dorsey at 910-850-3798
Regina Jefferson at 843-812-6259

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2024 Education Scholarship Application

Please complete this form electronically or print your answers.

Personal Information

Applicant's Information	Parent's Information
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Phone number:	Phone Number:
Email Address:	Email Address:
Date of Birth:	

Additional Information

List any academic honors, awards, and recognitions while in high school:
List any extracurricular activities and school-related volunteer activities:
List any non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:
List any leadership activities:
If you have decided on what college you will attend, please list the school's name and address. If not, please list your top 3 college choices:

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Essay

Applicant's Name:

Below, please write a 250-500 word personal essay addressing your reasons for pursuing a degree in education. Please use an additional piece of paper, if needed.

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Statement of Accuracy for Students

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote the Dr. John L. Coaxum Scholarship Program and Samuel J. Bush Post 207, The American Legion. If chosen as a scholarship winner I will be present at any potential awards ceremony or reception in May/June 2024 to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, it is my responsibility to remit to Post 207 the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for the Fall 2024 semester.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant:	Date:
Signature of Applicant's Parent:	Date:

Statement of Support by School Guidance Counselor

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to the Samuel J. Bush Post 207, The American Legion.

To be completed by your school guidance counselor.

Anticipated Graduation Date:	Applicant's rank # in a graduating class of students	Applicant's GPA is on a 4.0 scale
ACT Score:	SAT Score:	Name of High School
School Counselor's Name:	School Counselor's Email Address:	School Counselor's Phone Number:
School Counselor's Signature:	Date:	

Final Steps

Checklist ___ Application (Page 2) ___ Essay (Page 3) ___ Guidance Counselor's Signature (Page 4) ___ Letter of Recommendation (additional document) ___ Letter of Commitment/Intent (additional document)	<u>Mail Completed Application Packet to:</u> Samuel J. Bush Post 207 The American Legion PO Box 1526 Beaufort, SC 29901 -or- <u>Email Completed Application Packet to:</u> beaufortpost207@gmail.com <u>REMINDER:</u> The deadline for this application to be received by Post 207 is April 30, 2024.
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