
2026 JIM HURLBERT MEMORIAL BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP

Application Guidelines

1. Up to four scholarships not to exceed \$500.00 each will be awarded, as funds are available. At least one scholarship will be awarded from each of the four American Legion Department Membership Areas, as funds are available. Only one candidate will be allowed from each Senior American Legion Baseball Team. Scholarships are awarded for one year only and are nonrenewable.
2. Eligibility is open to Nebraska American Legion Baseball players in their last year of Legion Baseball eligibility and/or graduating senior.
3. Selection of recipients will be made based on the following:
 - a. ALL questions answered or N/A indicated
 - b. Financial need
 - c. Academic achievement
 - d. School and community involvement
4. An impartial award selection committee will evaluate applications and select recipients.
5. Student must attend a post-secondary educational institution within the state of Nebraska, and must have maintained a grade point average (GPA) in the upper 50 percent of his/her graduating class.
6. Scholarships must be used at the beginning of the academic year immediately following notification of awards. Use cannot be delayed nor can awards be held for future use or transferred to other individuals. In cases of unusual circumstances or emergencies, recipients may appeal to request delays in the use of awards. The Department Scholarship Committee will evaluate such requests.
7. Scholarship stipends will be sent to the institution of the recipient's attendance to be held for use in their name for tuition and fees, books, room and board only. Should the recipient drop out of school, any unused money must be returned to the Department of Nebraska, The American Legion.

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Information and Instructions for Applicants

1. Completed application and required certifications must be enclosed in the same envelope and postmarked on or before the application deadline date of **JUNE 15, 2026**.
2. Scholarship application must be complete when received. The following are required in order to receive consideration:
 - a. Copy of completed Scholarship Application
 - b. Copy of completed Financial Statement
 - c. Certification blocks must be signed by school official, applicant and parent or guardian.
 - d. Three Letters of recommendation.
3. Mail completed application, attachments and financial statement to:

JIM HURLBERT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
150 NW 40TH STREET, UNIT A
LINCOLN, NE 68528

NOTE: Application materials cannot be returned. All applications will be shred after judging is completed.

4. **Incomplete applications will not receive consideration.** The sponsors and American Legion personnel are not responsible for acquiring any data or forms for applicants. Do not include materials not specifically requested, such as folders, a resume, and pictures. There are no provisions for eligibility criteria waivers.
5. Scholarship winners will be notified via first class mail by August 1, 2026.

Application deadline is JUNE 15, 2026

2026 JIM HURLBERT MEMORIAL BASEBALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please type application or print in black ink.

1. _____
Full Legal Name: Last, First and Middle
2. _____
Permanent Home Address: Number, Street, City, State, Zip
3. _____ 4. (_____) _____
Date of Birth Telephone Number
5. _____
Sponsoring American Legion Post

Section A - High School Record

Year in School: _____ Name and Location of High School: _____

Grade Point Average: _____ In Upper _____ % of Class.

On one additional page (8 1/2 X 11 inches) list activities participated in during high school and also list awards, honors and recognition received.

Section B - Community Participation Record

On one additional page (8 1/2 X 11 inches) list community organizations in which you have held membership excluding high school. Additionally, list other activities that you were involved with that directly or indirectly improved life in your community.

Section C - Career Interests

On one additional page (8 1/2 X 11 inches) describe your career interests and/or goals. The selection committee realizes that in many cases, applicants will not have decided on career goals, however, complete this section to the best of your ability.

Section D - Letters of Recommendation and Testimony

One letter each from your school, your community and a representative from your American Legion Baseball Program.

Section E - Essay

Please indicate in a 50 word or less essay what American Legion Baseball has meant to you and how you have benefited from it.

Section F - American Legion Baseball Involvement

Junior Baseball _____
Years of participation - Sponsoring American Legion Post

Senior Baseball _____
Years of participation - Sponsoring American Legion Post

Endorsement of Team Manager/Coach _____
Authorized Signature

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Student's Name _____

Current Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Please complete this entire section as accurately as possible. NOTE: If your parents are divorced, separated or single, use information based on the parent who will provide the financial support for your education.

Section I. Information/Status/Home Data

1. Student's Name 1. _____
2. State of Legal Residence 2. _____
3. Parent(s) Marital Status: Single(S) Married(M) 3. _____
4. Number of Family Members at Home
(include student, parent(s), and other dependents) 4. _____
5. In addition to applicant, how many other family members
will be attending college during 2026-27? 5. _____

Section II. Parent Income and Expense Information

6. Estimated Adjusted Gross Income 2025 6. _____
7. Parent(s) Untaxed Income 2025 (include Social Security benefits,
ADC, child support, etc.) 7. _____
8. Medical/Dental Expense Paid in 2025 (not covered by insurance) 8. _____
9. K-12 Tuition Paid 2025 (exclude student applying for scholarship) 9. _____

Section III. Student Income and Asset Information

10. Estimated Student's Income 2025 10. _____
11. Student's Untaxed Income 2025 11. _____
12. Student's Assets and Savings 12. _____

NOTE: All questions must be answered or N/A indicated for application to be considered

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Section IV. Current Parent Asset Information

- 13. Parent(s) Cash and Savings 13. _____
- 14. Market Value of Home 14. _____
- 15. Unpaid Mortgage on the Home 15. _____
- 16. Value of other Real Estate/Investments
(present value of stocks, bonds, CD's, trust, etc.) 16. _____
- 17. Debt Against Real Estate or Investments 17. _____

CERTIFICATION

We certify that to the best of our knowledge, the information contained in this application and financial statement is correct and complete.

Applicant's Signature:

Applicant's Name (typed or printed):

Parent's or Guardian's Signature:

Parent's or Guardian's Name (typed or printed):

Date: _____

PLEASE REVIEW THIS APPLICATION TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED COMPLETELY AND ACCURATELY.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REJECTED.

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SCHOOL CERTIFICATION

HIGH SCHOOL RECORD - This section is to be completed by high school official.

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) based on the scale of A = 4.0, as of completion of 2025-26 school year or graduation: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Name of high school

Print/Type name of school official and title

*(Affix School Seal or
Official Rubber Stamp here)*
REQUIRED

Signature of School Official

Date

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