



**Marine Corps League  
National Scholarship Committee Report  
for the  
2025 Mid-Winter Report**



The Committee has evaluated and processed the applications and transcripts for the 2025 applicants. The names of the applicants who received preliminary approval were posted on the National Website by August 31, 2025.

A review of 2025:

- There were 171 applications with 157 applications being approved (92%)
- The Foundation authorized a payment of \$600 to each student representing a total donation of \$94,200.
- Every Division, 35 Departments, and 85 Detachments submitted applications.
- 71% of applications were submitted by grandparents, 28% by parents, and 1% by self-applicants
- MAL submitted 7 applications and MCLA submitted 5.

We are preparing for a great 2026 scholarship plan. Appropriate forms have been placed on the MCL website allowing students to download and complete before the July 21<sup>st</sup> deadline. Forms have been updated to supportively remind students of additional steps required for final payment.

The Committee will continue to take a proactive approach to submissions. Each application is replied to with an instant acknowledgment of receipt and a thank you for their interest in our program. It also allows the Committee to contact the student and/or sponsor to correct any discrepancies and provide any missing information or signatures. This interaction with students, parents, sponsors, Detachments, and educational institutions allows us to strengthen the relationship between members and the Foundation.

The MCL Scholarship Program continues to be an excellent recruiting and retention tool for the members of the League. For an annual investment of less than \$50, the member; member's spouse; children; or grandchildren can qualify for an award of \$600 or more, for up to four years each. It allows a member to provide a legacy to their loved ones.

Beginning March 1<sup>st</sup>, Joe Hughes will become the new Scholarship Chairman. Joe has been an MCL member since 1986 and is a former Department Commandant and Mid-West Division NVC. He has worked with school systems for more than forty years. He plans to use his marketing skills to actively promote the scholarship program to all Detachments, Departments, and Divisions.

I will remain on the committee as ex-officio, along with the fantastic existing members. This committee will renew its dedication to helping students secure one of our scholarships.

The program could possibly offer higher award amounts if it received more contributions. It is crucial that the Foundation focuses on marketing efforts to increase funds from member units and potential corporate sponsors. This should be an essential goal for 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman, Scholarship Committee

**2025 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**



**2025**  
**\$600**

**SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED 157**

**AVG GPA 3.76**

**MCL AWARDS 157**

*92% of Applications received scholarship*

**MCLA AWARDS 5**

**NEW APPLICATIONS 78**

**RENEWAL APPLICATIONS 79**

**2025 SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

**Chairperson** Ronnie Broussard  
**Member** Timothy Neal  
**Member** Skip Nakashima  
**Member** Joe Hughes  
**MCLA** Mary Lou Webb  
**NVC (Ex Officio)** Jerry Holt

**DEPT**

**DIVISION**

**DETACHMENT**

DEPT	DIVISION	DEPT	DIVISION	DEPT	DIVISION	DEPT	DIVISION
AK	1	CENTRAL	37	011	1	568	4
AL	2	MIDEAST	20	052	1	569	1
CA	1	MIDWEST	23	063	2	609	2
CO	3	NEW ENGLAND	5	072	1	616	2
DE	2	NORTHEAST	29	099	1	656	4
FL	6	NORTHWEST	2	100	3	682	1
IA	7	ROCKY MT	4	103	1	683	1
ID	1	SOUTHEAST	30	118	1	705	1
IL	3	SOUTHERN	6	144	1	729	2
IN	2	SOUTHWEST	1	154	1	743	2
KS	5			155	1	770	1
KY	10			161	2	773	2
LA	10	SPONSOR		173	1	778	4
MA	2	GRANDPARENT	124	183	1	784	1
MD	2	PARENT	47	190	1	857	3
MI	11		171	194	1	858	8
MO	7	2025		203	2	868	4
MS	1	TOTAL APPLICATIONS	171	206	2	877	1
NC	6	Awards	157	247	1	902	2
NE	4		92%	260	1	915	1
NH	1	2024		270	1	924	1
NJ	7	TOTAL APPLICATIONS	191	281	3	990	2
NY	4	Awards	141	286	1	1012	1
OH	7		74%	293	1	1021	1
OK	4			295	4	1025	2
PA	18			296	1	1027	1
SC	7			308	1	1070	3
TN	4			350	2	1081	2
TX	1			428	1	1087	2
UT	1			472	4	1093	1
VA	8			475	1	1127	1
VT	2			488	7	1137	1
WA	1			524	1	1138	1
WI	4			547	1	1141	1
WV	2			555	2	1169	2



**SCHOLARSHIP AWARD \$600**

**TOTAL DONATION \$94,200**

*The Meaning and Self-Worth of a Scholarship to a Young Student receiving a scholarship is more than just financial support - it's a validation of their hard work, potential, and promise. It affirms that someone believes in their ability to achieve, even when they may still be discovering it themselves. A scholarship can lift the burden of financial stress, but even more profoundly, it ignites confidence, hope, and a sense of purpose.*