Scholarships and loans for military children

Keys to successfully getting a scholarship:

- 1. Read all the eligibility requirements
- 2. Collect all the required documentation
- 3. Request letters of recommendation, especially from school counselors, way ahead of due dates
- 4. Do all the required paperwork
- 5. Deadlines are REALLY important!

http://www.legion.org/scholarships

The American Legion Scholarships—an excellent resource! Available free on-line in searchable format and in softcover for just a few dollars.

http://www.ourmilitary.mil/scholar_mil_children.shtml

Variety of scholarship sites

http://www.bgca.org

Boys and Girls Clubs of America have the National Youth of the Year Award. Check with your local BGCA to see if there are local moneys available.

http://fra.org

Fleet Reserve Association Scholarships

http://www.la-fra.org

Ladies Auxiliary of the Fleet Reserve Association

http://pdf.needalift.org/NAL2009.pdf

On-line, downloadable, and easy to search version of Need A Lift?—huge number of listings for educational opportunities, scholarships, grants, student loans, careers, and employment.

www.gibill.va.gov/pamphlets/CH35/CH35_Pamphlet_General.htm

Dependents' Educational Assistance Program

http://www.legion-aux.org/scholarships/index.aspx

The American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships

http://www.militaryscholar.org

Scholarships for Military Children Program

http://nmcrs.org/goldstar.html

NMCRS Gold Star scholarships

http://www.purpleheart.org

The Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH)

www.fallenpatriots.org

Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation

http://www.mcsf.org

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

http://www.nrotc.navy.mil (Navy and Marine Corps)

http://www.goarmy.com/rotc (Army)

http://afrotc.com (Air Force)

ROTC scholarships are available at many colleges and universities

http://www.usna.edu (Navy and Marine Corps) US Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD http://www.usma.edu (Army) United States Military Academy, West Point, NY http://www.usapa.af.mil (Air Force) Air Force Academy, near Colorado Springs, Colorado http://www.cga.edu (Coast Guard) US Coast Guard Academy, near London, CT http://www.usmma.edu (Merchant Marines) US Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY Military academies are highly competitive and generally require nominations from US Senators or Representative. In addition, there may be appointments to the service academy of their choice for otherwise qualified students who are the sons or daughters of Medal of Honor recipients, deceased or disabled veterans, or active or retired members of the US Armed Forces.

http://www.militaryscholar.org

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http://nmcrs.org/goldstar.html

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http://www.purpleheart.org

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Commander William S. Stuhr Scholarship Fund

Send email to: stuhrstudents@earthlink.net

National Education Loan Fund from Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary National EducationLoan Fund Director **DAVA National Headquarters** 3725 Alexandria Pk Cold Spring, KY 41076

http://www.navysna.org

Surface Navy Association

Marine Corps Tankers Association, Inc. MCTA Scholarship Chairman, 1112 Alpine Heights Rd, Alpine, CA 91901-2814

http://thewashboard.org/

Washington Scholarship Coalition

Alaska Sea Services Scholarship (focus on Alaska) Alaska Sea Services Scholarship Fund c/o U.S. Navy League Council 55-151 2300 Wilson Blvd Arlington, VA 22201

http://www.navyleague.org/scholarship

Navy League Foundation

http://www.vsac.org

Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom Scholarship (focus on Vermont)

http://nmcrs.org/travers.html

Vice Admiral E.P. Travers Loan Program

http://www.cposf.org/#crestinsert

Fleet Training Center Chief Petty Officer Scholarship Fund

http://www.usnscf.com

Navy Supply Corps Foundation Scholarship

http://www.anchorscholarship.com

Anchor Scholarship Foundation (formerly known as SURFLANT Scholarship Foundation

http://www.specialops.org

Special Operations Warrior Foundation

http://www.nmcrs.org/education

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Education Programs

http://www.bowfin.org

Bowfin Foundation

http://www.lake-champlain.navy.mil

USS Lake Champlain (CG-57) Scholarship Foundation

http://www.duvcw.org

Daughters of the Cincinnati Scholarship

http://www.afcea.org.

Armed Forces Communications & Electronic Association Educational Foundation (AFCEA)

http://www.amvets.org,

AMVETS National Scholarship Program

http://www.uscgcpoa.org/indext.htm

Captain Caliendo College Assistance Fund

http://www.seabee.org

Seabee Memorial Scholarship Association

https://www.commissaries.com

Commissary Scholarship

http://www.cgmahq.org

Coast Guard Mutual Assistance Commandant

http://www.kofc.org

Knights of Columbus Educational Fund

http://www.dophin-scholarship.org

Dolphin Scholarship Foundation

http://www.bva.org.

Blinded Veterans Association (BVA), Kathern F. Gruber Scholarship Grand Army of the Republic Living Memorial Scholarships Send SASE to: National Headquarters Daughters of Union Veteran 503 S Walnut St Springfield, IL 62704-1932

www.moaa.org/education

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA), Educational Assistance Program

http://www.nswfoundation.org

The Naval Special Warfare Foundation

http://www.abma-usn.org/scholarship.html

Aviation Boatswain Mates Association (ABMA) Scholarship

http://kitsapcu.org

Kitsap Credit Union Educational Grants

http://www.bezosfamilyfoundation.org/scholars/

Bezos Family Foundation: Bezos Scholars Program at the Aspen Institute

http://www.wingsoveramerica.us/

Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation

There are many, many more scholarships offered through specific colleges, for specific declared majors, and for other special groups. Keep researching—there's money out there!