



Thurston Elmer Wood Post 198, The American Legion Scholarship

The American Legion was chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization devoted to mutual helpfulness. It is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization aimed at advocating patriotism across the U.S. through diverse programs and member benefits.

Thurston Elmer Wood Post 198, The American Legion is located in Cape May Court House and is comprised of members of Cape May County who work to serve our nation's veterans, its service members, their families, the youth, and all citizens through a variety of programs based on the Four Pillars on which The American Legion was founded – Veteran Affairs & Rehabilitation, National Security, Americanism, and Children & Youth.

The purpose of this scholarship is to recognize a student based on that student's demonstration of Americanism and their essay titled "What it means to be an American?" This scholarship is NOT based on financial need or Academic Standing.

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE THURSTON ELMER WOOD POST 198, THE AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP

Students must:

- Be a graduating Senior who will be attending college, trade school or military
- Complete the Application
- Submit three letters of recommendation – two - non-family letters of recommendation and one peer letter of recommendation
- Essay – maximum of 1000 words explaining "What it means to *me* to be an American."
- Submit application by deadline –



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APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____ Birth Date: _____

Current GPA: _____ Class Rank: _____

Educational Goals/Degree Pursuing: _____

Schools to which you have applied: _____

Schools to which you have applied, have been accepted and/or are enrolled for the Fall:

Any Honors, Awards, or Scholarships received? Please list: _____

Extra-curricular activities: _____

Community Service, Patriotic/Americanism Service: _____

(Please attach additional pages as needed.)