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Scholarships Available For Children Of Veterans

FAYETTEVILLE – Scholarships are available for eligible high school seniors who are the children of North Carolina veterans. The scholarships are from the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the North Carolina Association of Veterans Services Officers. The deadline for both scholarships is March 1.

The N.C. Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs manages a scholarship for the children of certain categories of deceased, disabled, combat or POW/MIA veterans. The scholarship pays for four years of tuition and fees at an approved North Carolina state college or university. If the student attends a private school, the scholarship pays tuition up to \$4,500 a year for eight semesters, if used within eight years.

To qualify, an applicant must be under the age of 25 and living in North Carolina. The veteran's qualifying criteria must have occurred during a period of war. The student has to have been born in North Carolina and a resident of the state since birth, or the veteran parent was a legal resident of the state at the time of entrance into the period of service considered for eligibility. The student must be a natural born child of the veteran or have been adopted prior to age 15. Applicants must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher. Applications are available online at www.milvets.nc.gov by clicking on the "Veterans Affairs" tab and scrolling down to "Scholarships."

The second scholarship is from the North Carolina Association of Veterans Services Officers and was established to honor all deceased veterans services officers. It is open to any graduating senior whose parent is a North Carolina resident and an honorably discharged veteran. The scholarship pays \$1,000. Applications are available at the Cumberland County Veterans Services Office at 301 E. Russell St., next to the Cumberland County Courthouse.

Call 910-677-2970 for more information.