

# CARLA J. MIDDLESWART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

## Deadline:

- April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year

## Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be enrolled part-time or full-time (at least 9 hours) in undergraduate study at an accredited, tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning, including technical schools, community colleges or universities; and,
- Must be a current, graduating senior or past graduate of a Buffalo County, Nebraska, high school who is a veteran, or a resident of Buffalo County, Nebraska, who has successfully completed home study at the level to enter college or who has received a GED (Graduate Equivalent Degree); and,
- A preference will be given to graduates of Gibbon Public High School, Gibbon, Nebraska, and,
- If not a veteran themselves, the applicant must have a parent, sibling, grandparent, or legal guardian who is currently serving, or who has served, in any branch of the United States military, including the Nebraska National Guard. Applicants should provide proof of service and residency of Buffalo County, Nebraska, and,
- Must have participated in school and community activities, and,
- Must exhibit a record of good character and citizenship, academic record, and leadership, and,
- Must have a financial need for the scholarship.

## Selection Criteria:

- The submission and content of the Carla J. Middleswart Memorial Scholarship application by the deadline, currently April 1.
- Proof of their service or their parent's, sibling's, grandparent's or legal guardian's service (current or previous) in the military of the United States of America.
- Two letters of recommendation (from non-relatives).
- Involvement in school and community activities, demonstrated leadership, academic achievements, volunteerism, and any awards.
- Short statement (100 words or less) answering why they have a financial need for this scholarship.
- Short statement (100 words or less) stating the student's goals and aspirations and how this scholarship help.
- High school transcript or equivalent.

## Scholarship Award:

- This \$2,800 scholarship is awarded at the beginning of the first semester of the first year of higher education

To learn more about applying, go to <https://www.kearneyfoundation.org/scholarships>

