The AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter plans to award scholarships to highly qualified students from Quantico, Stafford, Fauquier and Prince William Counties. Subject to the availability of funds and quality of applications, scholarships will be awarded to students enrolled for the Fall 2024 academic year as a full-time student. Students must prove acceptance and enrollment in a Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM) major that leads to a bachelor's degree. The scholarship committee's focus is to encourage students to pursue professional STEM careers, especially supporting AFCEA's focus on military communications, cybersecurity, information technology, and network systems.

Applications will be accepted immediately, but due NLT March 18, 2024

Eligibility (and non-eligibility) Criteria – Please Read All to Avoid Integrity Issues

- Applicants must be U.S. citizens or possess a Study & Exchange Visa (F-1), or Immigration Visa holders, in HS or college, pursuing a STEM related degree.
- Applicants must be either a graduating high school senior or an undergraduate college student (Freshman to Junior).
- Applicants must be accepted for enrollment during the 2024/25 academic year in a full-time course of study at an
 accredited college or university in the United States. NOTE: Enrollment in distance learning programs does NOT meet
 this requirement.
- The applicant's course of study must lead to a Bachelor of Science degree in one of the STEM disciplines. See the below paragraph for more details.
- Eligible applicants must reside, and attend school, on the Marine Corps Base at Quantico, or in Stafford, Fauquier, or Prince William County, Virginia. This includes the cities of Manassas, Manassas Park, and Fredericksburg.
- Home-schooled and private high school students residing in Stafford or Prince William County are qualified to apply.
- Applicants who have received appointments to military academies, or four-year ROTC scholarships, are NOT eligible.
- Applicants are eligible for only one scholarship award by an AFCEA Chapter per year. Ex: A student cannot receive a scholarship from the Quantico-Potomac chapter and the Belvoir chapters in the same year.
- Applicants who are using the "Post 911" GI-Bill are NOT eligible.

Qualifying STEM majors include: Aeronautical Engineering, Biology, Biometry/Biometrics, Civil Engineering, Chemistry, Computer Engineering, Computer Forensics Science, Computer Programming, Computer Science, Computer Systems, Cybersecurity, Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Geospatial Science, Information Science, Information Technology, Information Resource Management, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering, Network Engineering, Network Security, Neuroscience, Physics, Robotics Engineering, Robotics Technology, Statistics, and Telecommunications Engineering

*The scholarship board reserves the right to evaluate additional majors on a case-by-case basis.

Scholarship Application Procedures (Please Read as Directions Have Changed)

Scholarship application packages <u>must</u> be submitted by mail in an 8.5"x11" envelope with postmarks dated no later than March 18, 2024

Selection: The Board of Directors of the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter will appoint a Scholarship Selection Committee composed of current Chapter members to review and rank applications. The Scholarship Committee Chairperson will offer AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Scholarships to applicants in the order of their ranking by the selection committee up to the availability of scholarship funding. Applicants will be asked to confirm their continued eligibility for an award. In the event that a primary selectee does not confirm eligibility for an award, scholarships will be offered to alternate selectees. The Scholarship Committee Chairperson will notify scholarship winners of their final selection for awards no later than May 31, 2024.

Award Procedures:

Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the Finance Office of the scholarship winner's chosen college/university in the form of a check drawn on the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter Education Fund account.

The Chapter will send representatives to the 2024 Academic Awards ceremonies at the students' schools to recognize the students before an audience of their parents, teachers, and peers.

Those who do not receive their awards at a year-end academic awards ceremony will be invited to attend one of Chapter's Monthly luncheon meetings to receive their awards.

For Further Information: Email James Longi at longi jim@aac.com with the subject line "AFCEA 2024 Scholarship".

Application Procedures

Complete the following forms included in this document:

- Privacy Statement co-signed by Applicant and Parent
- Applicant Information Form
- Scholastic Standing Form (Completed/Signed by Counselor/Advisor)
- Applicant's Personal Statement (200-250 words).

Attach the following additional documents:

- Graduating high school seniors (only) a letter of recommendation from your academic counselor or a math, science, or engineering teacher
- · Letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment from the college or university for the 2024/25 academic year
- Official academic transcripts for the two most recently completed academic years

Submit Applications in an 8.5"x11" Envelop by Mail to:

AFCEA Quantico Potomac Chapter (Attn: Scholarship Committee) 142 Crown Manor Drive Stafford, VA 22556

IMPORTANT: The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to confirm any information included in the scholarship application. Any inclusion of false or fraudulent information on the application will immediately disqualify the applicant. If false or fraudulent information is discovered after the scholarship award is announced, the award will be rescinded and the student's high school and college/university will be notified.

PRIVACY STATEMENT: The personal information requested herein and personal statement(s) will be used to evaluate the applicant's eligibility for scholarships to be awarded by the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter. The information will be maintained by the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter and will be released only to individuals who serve on the Chapter's Scholarship Selection Committee. Under no circumstances will any applicant's personal information be disclosed to anyone outside of this AFCEA Chapter. The applicant's submission of the information requested is voluntary; however, failure to provide all of the requested information may hinder evaluation of the application and reduce the likelihood of a scholarship award to the applicant.

I agree not to contest the AFCEA Quantico-Potomac Chapter's Scholarship Selection Committee's choice of scholarship winners for the Chapter's 2024 Scholarship Program. I affirm that all information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge and that I have read and understand the privacy statement above.

Signature of Applicant:

Date:

Date:

A parent's signature is not required if the applicant is above the age of 18 and was not claimed as a dependent on a

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Applicant Information

Name										
Mailing Address										
Telephone										
E-mail										
Citizenship										
High School										
Mailing Address										
Yr of HS Graduation										
School attended sind HS graduation	e									
Address										
Academic Status for 2024Academic Year (Check One)										
FRESHMAN			Л	JUNIOR		SENIOR				
College or Universit	у									
Major Field of Stud	y									
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Award Description				Presented	Ву		Year			

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Academic Standing Information (To be completed by Counselor/Academic Advisor)

Applicant's Name:	
School:	
Class Standing: Upper% of total class.	
Number of students in class:	
GPA (indicate basis, i.e., 4.0 or 5.0 system)	
SAT Scores: Math Verbal Writing	
Counselor's Name:	
Telephone:	
E-Mail:	
Is the student applicant enrolled for the 2024/25 academic year in a course of study at a four-year accrecollege or university that will lead to a Bachelor of Science degree within four years of undergraduate states. No No	
Declared Academic Major:	
College or University:	
Counselor's Signature:	

Applicant's Personal Statement

In 200-250 words, discuss the factors and influences that have led you to consider an academic major in the hard sciences or engineering disciplines and your reasons for pursuing a career in your chosen field. <u>Please note that the quality of your statement is heavily weighted in the Scholarship Committee's evaluation!</u>