

**THE AMERICAN LEGION  
DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA**



**GOLD AWARD GIRL SCOUT OF THE YEAR**  
**2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

**AWARD:**

Department winner receives a \$1,000 scholarship. Each District winner will receive a \$200 scholarship. The Department winner will also be invited, as guest of the Department, to the site of the Department of Indiana Convention to receive their applicable award.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

- ✓ Must be an Indiana resident and a United States Citizen;
- ✓ Must either be in or graduate from high school during the year of the competition;
- ✓ Must be a registered Girl Scout (copy of current-year Girl Scout membership card must be submitted with application)
- ✓ Must have received the Girl Scout Gold Award (proof of receipt, or of requirements completed, must be submitted with application);
- ✓ Must have received the appropriate religious emblem, appropriate Girl Scout level (proof of religious award must be submitted with application);
- ✓ Must have demonstrated good and practical citizenship in her Girl Scouting, school, Religious institution and community;
- ✓ Must submit at least four letters of recommendation and testimony with the application, with one letter from a leader in each of the following groups: Scouting, school, religious institution and community;
- ✓ NOTE: Past State-level Gold Award winners may not reapply for this Girl Scout Scholarship.

**SELECTION PROCESS:**

- Applicant must present the completed application to the American Legion Girl Scout Committee Chairman of the District covering the county where the applicant lives on or before **MAY 1, 2017** (see enclosed list of District Chairmen).

- Each District Girl Scout Chairman is to select a screening committee of American Legion members in order to select a single nominee from their District. This nominee must be submitted to the Department Girl Scout Committee Chairman by **JUNE 1, 2017**. There may be up to eleven nominees at Department level: one from each District in Indiana.
- The Department Girl Scout Chairman will select a screening committee of Girl Scout Leaders, educators and American Legion members to review and rank the nominations to select a Department winner, which will be final. The winner will be notified and requested to attend the Department of Indiana Convention on **JULY 15, 2017**, at the expense of the American Legion, to receive their Scholarship Achievement Award.

**SCHOLARSHIP ACHIEVEMENT AWARD:**

The scholarship recipient will be eligible to receive her scholarship after graduation from high school and must utilize the award within one year of date of graduation (or date of award if she has already graduated). The scholarship must be used to attend a school that is state accredited and above high school level and within the United States. Disbursement will be made directly to the scholarship recipient at the beginning of the first semester upon receipt of certification from the school that the recipient is enrolled in as a full time student. The notice of certification must be made to the Department Girl Scout Committee Chairman. This requirement applies to both the Department and District winners.

**APPLICATION:**

Name of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Present grade point average \_\_\_\_\_ Year of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of college or university you hope to attend \_\_\_\_\_

Date Girl Scout Gold Award received (or requirements completed if not received) \_\_\_\_\_

Girl Scout Council issuing Gold Award \_\_\_\_\_

List Scouting achievements \_\_\_\_\_

(If necessary, continue on back of page)

Name of religious award received \_\_\_\_\_

List leadership positions and honors you have received from your Girl Scout Troop or Council, school, religious institution, and / or community.

Leadership Positions

Honors

***Describe your involvement in each of the following. Use attachments if necessary:***

Your religious institution

Your school

Your community

Your Gold Award project

**NOTE: Please be sure to attach any required materials to this application, and submit it to the applicable American Legion District Girl Scout Chairman covering your Girl Scout Council. Application MUST be received by the District Chairman no later than MONDAY, MAY 1, 2017.**

**APPLICANT CERTIFICATION:** I certify to the accuracy of the foregoing facts and information. If selected the Department winner, I will be free to travel to the American Legion Department of Indiana Convention in Indianapolis, IN on **JULY 15, 2017** to receive the Award.

Signature of Girl Scout \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT'S CONSENT: I (we)** hereby certify that the information pertaining to our daughter's age and grade in school is correct. In consideration of the benefits derived from this honor, if selected, we hereby voluntarily waive any claim against the American Legion Department of Indiana and the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. totally and all representatives thereof.

Signature of Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**GIRL SCOUT LEADER:** The above named applicant is qualified in every respect to represent the American Legion Department of Indiana and the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. and has our recommendation.

Signature of Girl Scout Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**AMERICAN LEGION DISTRICT GIRL SCOUT CHAIRMAN:** The above named applicant is approved by District No. \_\_\_\_\_, Department of Indiana as qualified for the nomination for the American Legion Department of Indiana Gold Award Girl Scout of the Year Scholarship Achievement Award for the 2016-2017 program year.

Signature of District Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**AMERICAN LEGION DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA GIRL SCOUT CHAIRMAN:** The above named applicant has been selected for the recipient of the American Legion Department of Indiana Gold Award Girl Scout of the Year Scholarship Achievement Award for the 2016-2017 program year.

Signature of Department Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_