

01 NCAC 26B .0106 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The Veterans Affairs Commission delegates to the Assistant Secretary for Veterans Affairs the responsibility for obtaining information and making recommendations of applications for scholarship awards which the Commission administers. The following procedure has been set by the Commission for use by the Assistant Secretary in reviewing applications:

- (1) Interested parties may obtain scholarship forms and an instruction sheet from the Assistant Secretary's Office or electronically at <http://www.nc4vets.com/nc-programs>. Interested parties and applicants seeking assistance may contact the North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs (NCDVA) scholarship coordinator at 919-807-4250, or contact a local veteran's service officer at <http://www.nc4vets.com/personal-services>.
- (2) For purposes of G.S. 165 (Article 4), the time of application for scholarship shall be the earlier of:
 - (a) the date received in the NCDVA Assistant Secretary's Office as evidenced by NCDVA date stamp or date of electronic communication;
 - (b) the US Postal Service date identification; or
 - (c) the processing date identification from any other federal or state recognized mail carrier system that delivers mail.
- (3) In making recommendations for the award of scholarships in the competitive categories, the Assistant Secretary for Veterans Affairs shall consider the disability and other eligibility requirements of each application in accordance with the standards enumerated in G.S. 165-22 and make his or her recommendations to members of the Commission based on the following criteria, and importance shall attach in the order named:
 - (a) Need. Preference shall be given to the eligible child with the greater financial need.
 - (b) Scholastic Ability. Preference shall be given the eligible child with the higher scholastic award.
 - (c) Consideration shall be given to the character, reputation, industry, accomplishments, and handicaps (if any) of the eligible child.
 - (d) All other things being equal, the degree of service connected disability of applicant's qualified veteran parent shall be given preference.
- (4) The Assistant Secretary for Veterans Affairs shall be authorized to award Class I and Class IV (unlimited) scholarships to any applicant who meets all eligibility requirements under Class I or Class IV on or about January 1 and July 1. These awards are then ratified by the Commission at its next meeting following the award by the Assistant Secretary.

History Note: Authority G.S. 143B-1220 through 143B-1222; 165-22.1(a); Eff. February 1, 1976; Readopted Eff. February 27, 1979; Amended Eff. October 1, 2015; Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. February 2, 2016.