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TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO SERVED

Adam Klein Chapter #3 ♦ P.O. Box 915 ♦ Bismarck, North Dakota 58502-0915

January 2, 2026

Lake Region State College
Financial Aid Office
1801 College Dr., North
Devils Lake, ND 58301

Dear Sir or Madam,

Adam Klein Chapter #3, Disabled American Veterans is pleased to offer the Gene L. Kouba Memorial Scholarship program for the 2026-2027 school year. The maximum amount of each scholarship is \$1,000.00 for the school year. We request your assistance in identifying candidates that meet our criteria. Applications will be prioritized in the following manner:

1. Veterans with service-connected disabilities as determined by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)
2. Veterans eligible for VA pension benefits due to nonservice-connected disabilities
3. Other veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces
4. Spouses/unmarried widow(er)s of veterans
5. Unmarried children of veterans, until age 26

The scholarship application is enclosed. Please refer to the "Notice to Applicants" section to review other qualifications for prospective scholarship recipients.

When a scholarship is approved, the chapter will provide payment directly to the institution. Disbursements may be split into equal amounts for each term in the school year.

Please provide a copy of the application to prospective candidates. Applications are due to the chapter not later than March 15, 2026.

Questions may be directed to Adjutant Mark Landis at (701) 581-4879. We look forward to assisting veterans and their family members to achieve their education goals. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincere regards,

for Mark J. Landis, Adjutant
Lamar J. Kruckenberg
Commander

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GENE L. KOUBA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY)

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name	Relationship to Veteran	
Address	Telephone Number	
City	State	Zip Code

VETERAN INFORMATION

Name	Service Number	VA disability rating %
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SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of School (Next Term)	Full Time (Check One) Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Class Start Date
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DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

All Applicants

- ☐ Essay, typed, double spaced, 12 point font (no more than two pages) (See essay theme below)
- ☐ Summary of public service, professional and/or academic accomplishments
- ☐ Copy of most recent school transcript
- ☐ Statement of educational and professional goals
- ☐ Copy of DD Form 214 or equivalent documentation (honorable discharge required)
- ☐ Copy of ND Driver License or other government ID Card of applicant showing address
- ☐ Verification from VA of current disability rating, if applicable

Spouse

- ☐ Copy of marriage certificate

Unmarried Widow

- ☐ Copy of marriage certificate AND death certificate

Unmarried children

- ☐ Copy of birth certificate

*** Essay Theme ***

Discuss the requirement for North Dakota public schools to offer students the opportunity to voluntarily recite the Pledge of Allegiance at the beginning of each school day.

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

The maximum scholarship amount is \$1,000.00 annually, subject to availability of funds. A new application will be required for each school year. This scholarship is available to honorably discharged veterans of the armed forces of the United States, other former service members who are members of this DAV chapter, and the spouses, unmarried widows, and unmarried children of eligible persons until age 26. Scholarship recipients must have home of record in southwest North Dakota, must be full-time students at accredited post-secondary institutions, display outstanding citizenship, and maintain a minimum 2.5 grade point average. Failure to maintain eligibility requirements may result in termination with recoupment of the scholarship award. Applications will be considered at a time and place as determined by the chapter scholarship committee. Decisions of the committee are final. Applications must be complete, including supporting documentation. Applications for the 2026-2027 school year are due to the chapter by March 15, 2026. No action will be taken on late or incomplete applications. The applicant consents to publicity regarding this scholarship award.

Applicant Signature (original ink only - facsimile or digital signatures will not be accepted)	Date
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