



Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346  
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The Suzanne Sloat & Ray Okonski Foundation

Dear American Legion Members and High School Students,

We are pleased to announce the establishment of the Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346 Scholarship Program, funded by the Suzanne Sloat and Ray Okonski Foundation.

Two \$5,000.00 STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) career oriented scholarships will be awarded, one to a boy and one to a girl.

Mr. Ray Okonski is a strong proponent of 3-D printing technology as an important element of an engineering degree that he feels strongly enhances the probability of a successful and profitable career. In recent years, 100% of senior University of Detroit Mercy engineers, with a 3-D printing background were offered full employment before graduation. While your choice of college is unlimited, if a winning student is accepted and enrolls with the University of Detroit Mercy and majors in 3-D printing, an additional \$1,000.00 will be forwarded to University of Detroit Mercy, on behalf of the student, upon proof of acceptance, to be used for typical qualifying expenses such as tuition, fees, books, program costs, meal plans, housing and/or transportation.

As the American Legion is a veteran's organization, we are asking that students are endorsed by a veteran. If you do not have a veteran family member or friend, you may be eligible for an interview with the Post 346 Commander for potential endorsement.

Scholarship application forms may be found at: <http://www.americanlegionpost346.org> and must be submitted by April 14th. The scholarships will be awarded on or about May 15th.

Thank you,

The Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346 Scholarship Program Committee  
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**The purpose of the Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346 Scholarship Program is to provide two deserving students (one boy and one girl) an opportunity to attend the college of their choice.**

**The base requirements for this scholarship are:**

- 1) Be endorsed by an honorably discharged veteran of the US military.
- 2) Have at least a 3.0 grade point average and maintain it through graduation.
- 3) Plan to be a full-time student with a declared college major in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math.
- 4) Demonstrate leadership and a commitment to the community.

**An essay must accompany your application, it should be 300-500 words.**

**Your essay must answer the following questions:**

- 1) What is your program of study and why did you choose it as your major?
- 2) Do you have any 3-D printer experience or expectations?
- 3) Do you have any work related experience?
- 4) Do you perform any community service?
- 5) Have you received any honors or awards?
- 6) What are your career goals?
- 7) How would this scholarship assist you in meeting your goals?

**This application must be received no later than April 14th**

Email submission package to: GrovesWalkerPost346@gmail.com

OR - Place all completed information in a 9x12 envelope and mail to:

Groves-Walker American Legion Post 346

Attn: Scholarship Chairman

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**Application Check List**

- 1) Completed application.
- 2) Copy of your endorsing veteran's honorable discharge papers (DD-214), with redacted Social Security number. If you do not have a veteran to endorse you, please contact the Scholarship Chairman.
- 3) Essay (signed and dated).
- 4) A 5x7 photo of yourself.
- 5) Copy of official transcript of grades to date.
- 6) Counselor's report, in a sealed envelope or emailed by counselor separately (See attachment).
- 7) Up to an additional 10 pages of supporting documentation, information and exhibits may be included.

Any additional inquiries may be directed to the Scholarship Chairman, Mark Moulds by email at:

[SALCommander346@gmail.com](mailto:SALCommander346@gmail.com) or call: 248-914-8189.



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**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Last name:  First name:  Middle initial:   
 Address:  City:  ST:   
 Zip Code:  Phone:   
 E-mail:   
 Gender:  Date of birth:   
 High school:  Date of graduation:

**SIGNATURES**

BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION, YOU AGREE, IF ASKED, TO PROVIDE INFORMATION THAT WILL VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF YOUR COMPLETED FORM. IF YOU PURPOSELY GIVE FALSE OR MISLEADING INFORMATION, YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

YOU ALSO AGREE TO THE USE OF YOUR NAME, PICTURE AND INFORMATION CONTAINED WITHIN THE APPLICATION FOR ADVERTISING, PROMOTIONAL AND PUBLICITY PURPOSES WITHOUT ADDITIONAL CONSENT OR COMPENSATION.

GROVES-WALKER AMERICAN LEGION POST 346 AND THE SUZANNE SLOAT & RAY OKONSKI FOUNDATION HAVE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY FOR SELECTING RECIPIENTS BASED ON CRITERIA AS SET FORTH IN THE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION.

THIS APPLICATION, AND ALL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BECOMES THE PROPERTY OF GROVES-WALKER AMERICAN LEGION POST 346 AND THE SUZANNE SLOAT & RAY OKONSKI FOUNDATION.  
 (IT IS STRONGLY SUGGESTED THAT YOU MAKE A COPY FOR YOUR RECORDS).

**STUDENT:**

Name:  Signature:  Date:

**PARENT/GUARDIAN:**

Name:  Signature:  Date:

**VETERAN REQUIREMENT**

You must submit a copy of veteran's honorable discharge papers (DD-214), (WWII vets are called Separation Papers) with your application. (Please **DO NOT** send the original, and **BLACK OUT** the veteran's Social Security number).

**Veteran endorsement statement:**

Name:  Signature:  Date: