



**American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Virginia
Nell Collins Hatcher Girls State Memorial Scholarship**

The American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Virginia, is offering a scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 in memory of Nell Collins Hatcher, a teacher and Girls State counselor devoted to encouraging responsibility and civic involvement of young women. She served Virginia Girls State as Special Counselor to the Governor for many years.

1. This is a one-year scholarship to be awarded to a delegate attending American Legion Auxiliary Department of Virginia Girls State and planning to attend an accredited institution of higher education as a full-time student.
2. The recipient must have completed her junior year at an accredited high school in the state of Virginia.
3. The applicant must submit an original article consisting of no more than 500 words. The title reflects the Mission of Virginia Girls State: *How I Envision Attending Virginia Girls State Will Influence My Future*. Applicant must print and sign her name following the last paragraph of the essay. The application and essay must be stapled together.
4. The applicant must have completed a minimum of 30 hours of volunteer service within her community. A letter from the organization(s) verifying service must accompany the application.
5. Completed application must be mail to Frances R. Shelton, 699 Ramoth Church Road, Fredericksburg, Virginia 22406 postmarked no later than June 1, 2017.

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6. The applicant's involvement in meeting the responsibilities offered during her Girls State experience will be considered.
7. The recipient of the scholarship will be announced and presented a letter of confirmation at the closing ceremony of Virginia Girls State. A copy of the letter of confirmation will also be sent to the recipient's high school and the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Virginia secretary/treasurer.
8. The scholarship will be paid in a lump sum directly to the accredited institution of higher education upon written notification of the applicant's final acceptance. The scholarship will be applied to the first year following graduation from high school. If the student does not complete the year, any refund of funds shall be returned to the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Virginia.



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Contact Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Academic Experience/Plans

Name of High School Attending _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average _____

Activities _____

Honors _____

Institution(s) of Higher Education in Consideration for Attending 2018-2019 _____

Planned Field of Study _____



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Reminder!

Include all information to meet the criteria for the award.

_____ Application Form

_____ Essay: *How I Envision Attending Virginia Girls State Will Influence My Future*

_____ Validation of 30 Hours Community Volunteer Service