

**THE 2018-2019  
LEE-JACKSON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**PURPOSE**

The objective of the program is to acquaint young people with the historical legacy of two of Virginia's most famous military figures, Generals Robert E. Lee and Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson.

**AWARDS**

**18 scholarships are available to public, private, and home school Virginia high school juniors and seniors submitting outstanding, original, analytical essays on any aspect—positive or negative—of the career, character, or legacy of General Robert E. Lee and/or General Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson.**

The Foundation will award one \$2,000 scholarship and one \$1,000 scholarship to students whose essays are judged to be the first place and second place winners in each of Virginia's eight public high school regions.

In addition, the Foundation will award one \$2,000 scholarship and one \$1,000 scholarship to private school or homeschooled students whose essays are judged to be the first and second place winners from this sector.

First place winners from each public school region and the first place winner from the home/private school sector will be judged together as a group by a panel appointed by the L-JEF board to determine the first, second, and third place winners overall from the Commonwealth of Virginia. Bonus scholarships of \$10,000, \$4,000, and \$1,000 will be awarded to these three students. **The third place winner overall in Virginia will receive a total award of \$3,000, the second place winner will receive a total of \$6,000, and the first place winner in the Commonwealth of Virginia will receive a total award of \$12,000.**

A \$1,000 award will be given to a school in each of the nine judging sectors in the name of the high school teacher or advisor who sponsors the most participating students in that sector. Advisors must sponsor a minimum of 50 participating students to be eligible for this award.

**ELIGIBILITY**

**Financial need is not a consideration.** Any student is eligible to apply who is:

- a Virginia resident;
- classified as a junior or senior in a Virginia public, private, or home high school;
- has not won a Lee-Jackson scholarship before;
- plans to attend a 4-year accredited U.S. college and later enrolls as a full-time student

Students planning to attend a community college must enroll full-time, plan to transition to a four-year accredited U.S. college, and enroll in the school's college transfer program.

**HOW TO APPLY**

Students, parents, teachers, and advisors may obtain an application form and a complete set of application guidelines from the Foundation's web site at:

[www.lee-jackson.org](http://www.lee-jackson.org)

Updated application materials are posted to the website at the beginning of each school year, and interested applicants may also view on the website the previous year's first place winning essay.

**DEADLINES AND JUDGING**

**Essays for the 2018-2019 competition will be due February 1, 2019, and winning students will be notified on May 15, 2019.**

Public and private school students must complete the application form and essay and file both with their school principal for signature by the specified deadline. Home school students must submit the completed application form and essay to a parent or guardian for signature by the specified deadline.

Student winners in public schools will be selected by a screening committee in each locality. Student winners in private and home schools will be selected by a screening committee appointed by the Lee-Jackson Educational Foundation.

**THE ESSAY**

Judges seek original, well-written, and thoroughly researched analytical essays. The length of the essay is not as important as the rigorous defense of a well-reasoned thesis. Past essays have addressed such topics as:

- General Lee's or General Jackson's heritage and their lives at war and at peace
- Jackson as a tactician or Lee as a strategist
- Lee's or Jackson's impact on modern battlefield tactics
- Lee's Christian fervor or Jackson's religious passion
- Jackson's enigmatic personality or Lee's dedication to gentlemanly virtues
- Lee as President of Washington College or possible changes in the course of the Civil War had Jackson not died so early.

**These topics are examples only. The Foundation strongly encourages students to choose any fresh, relevant topic they find interesting.** History and English teachers may be particularly useful resources for students as they develop their essays and complete their research.

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Submit Application to Ms. Tomaco by Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

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APPLICATION FORM**

**Please type or print legibly:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
                                    **Last**                                    **First**                                    **Middle**                                    **Gender**

**Home Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
  **Number and Street or P.O. Box**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
                                    **City**                                    **Zip Code**

**Home Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Numerical Identifier (labeling each essay page) :** \_\_\_\_\_

**High School Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of City or County where school is located:** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Circle one)** Junior    Senior    **(Circle one)** Public School    Private School    Home School

**Name of local newspaper:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are a scholarship winner, do you agree to be included in a Foundation press release announcing the scholarship results and have your name, high school, and scholarship award amount posted on the Foundation's website? (Circle one) Yes No**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(If student is under 18, parent/guardian please sign)                      (Signature)                      (Date)

**How did you learn about the Lee-Jackson Educational Foundation Scholarship Program?**

**Check one:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Teacher**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Guidance Counselor**    \_\_\_\_\_ **School Administrator**  
\_\_\_\_\_ **Parent**    \_\_\_\_\_ **Lee-Jackson Educational Foundation Web Site**

**Other (please specify)** \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT REQUIRED INFORMATION:** Name of teacher or other school staff member, if any, who advised you in the writing of the essay, and the school's region number. (The region number is important to qualify schools for the \$1,000 award given as an incentive to encourage student participation. See page 12 for list of regions.) If private or home school, write "PRIVATE" or "HOME" in Region # blank.

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                                    **Name of Advisor**                                    **Advisor Email**                                    **Region #**

\_\_\_\_\_  
                                    **Signature of Applicant**                                    **Signature of Principal OR**                                    **Date**  
  **Parent/Guardian (Home Schools only)**

**NOTE:** All essays become the property of the Lee-Jackson Educational Foundation which may publish all or portions of the essay either in print or on its website.