

VIOLET LARNEY SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA AND APPLICATION

For thirty-one years the dedicated members of the AAUW of East Mesa (AZ) Branch have raised the money to send 177 local scholars to college by organizing various fundraisers. In 2016, the East Mesa Branch received an endowment from Violet Larney, the founder and first president of our branch. The earnings from these endowed funds provide for a National AAUW Fellowship and twelve scholarships awarded each year to local students. In addition to raising funds and vetting the applications for scholarships, each scholarship recipient has an East Mesa Branch member serving as her mentor to provide advice and support throughout the duration of her award. Some of the recipients are just beginning their college experience while others are further along in their college education.

The members of the Scholarship Committee for the 2020-2021 year are the following: Judy Taucher-Lewis (Chair), Kay Eakin, Marje Perkins, Judy Shahenian and Diana Sheridan.

Scholarship Applications are accepted for the AAUW of East Mesa (AZ) Branch Scholarships through the Arizona Community Foundation.

The website is <https://azfoundation.academicworks.com>.

Applications are accepted each year from January 1 through March 14.

Before applying for the scholarship, consider the following Scholarship Criteria:

Scholarship Criteria

1. High School Senior with a GPA of 2.5.
2. Two-year Community College student with a GPA of 2.5.
3. Four-year College/University student with a GPA of 3.0.
4. A STEM Scholarship is available for a student attending a four-year Arizona College/University, majoring in the sciences with a GPA of 3.5.
5. Student must live in Apache Junction, Chandler, Gilbert or Mesa.
6. Student must display a Financial Need as indicated by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and Student Aid Report (SAR).
7. A Student that is an active participant in school and community activities is preferred.