

# Dead Possums Riding Club

## MERCER COUNTY PATRIOT'S SCHOLARSHIP

Dead Possums Riding Club is awarding THREE \$1,500 scholarships to Mercer County graduating seniors in 2026

Criteria for the Dead Possums Riding Club Patriot's Scholarship are as follows: Any graduating senior attending school and residing in Mercer County, PA who is the child, sibling, niece/nephew, or grand-child (step-family members included) of an **Active Military Member or Honorably Discharged Veteran** is eligible to apply. The graduating senior must be attending an accredited post-secondary institution (trade school, junior college, or college/university) to be eligible.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, have read and understand the conditions of the Dead Possums Riding Club's Mercer County Patriot's Scholarship. I affirm that I plan to attend an accredited post-secondary institution. Trade Schools, Junior Colleges, and Colleges/Universities are eligible. I affirm that I am a graduating senior who attends school and resides in Mercer County, PA. *I affirm that the application and accompanying essay are my own work have not been aided or written by Artificial Intelligence.*

I affirm that the information contained herein is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. \*Winners of the Patriot's Scholarship **will be required** to provide proof of relation to Serviceman/Honorably Discharged Veteran.\*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last

First

M.I.

Student's Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Student's Parent(s)/Guardian(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Current High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative QPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Post-Secondary School Preference(s) (Indicate if this is a Trade School): \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Extracurricular Activities, Volunteer Work, Work Experience, Hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Family Member(s) Currently Serving Active Military or Honorably Discharged from Duty and Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach to this application the following:

- A typed, 250 to 500-word essay on the following topic: **What does Patriotism mean to me as a young American?**
- A letter of reference from a non-relative

Completed Application, Essay, and Reference Letter **MUST BE POSTMARKED** by **March 27, 2026** and mailed to:

Dead Possums Riding Club: Mercer County Patriot's Scholarship P.O. Box 230 Transfer, PA 16154