



PATRON MEMBER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Compose an essay on one of the following topics:

1. Since 1937, more than \$31 billion has been distributed through annual apportionments to states for managing wildlife resources — thanks to Pittman-Robertson excise taxes. Explain how the funds are generated, and how the Pittman-Robertson fund has supported wildlife conservation in the U.S. over the years since its implementation.
2. When the Bill of Rights was written, some words like “regulated” had a different meaning than most people think of today when they hear that term.
 - a. What did “regulated” or “well regulated” mean at the time the Bill of Rights was written?
 - b. What other terms in the Bill of Rights are often misinterpreted today because of changes in dialog over the years.
3. What does firearm safety mean to you? Elaborate on safety at the range, out in the field and when a firearm is not in use.
4. Explain how the Second Amendment is part of a broader framework for self-sufficiency (food, water, security) and what is lost when individuals outsource responsibility for their own safety and self-sufficiency.

Twenty Scholarships will be Awarded

**Applications and Essays must be received by
MAY 25TH, 2026**



Grand Prize - \$8,000

1 First Prize - \$5,000

1 Second Prize - \$3,000

**17 Runners-Up
\$2,000 each**

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