



2025 GO FOR BROKE LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

The Go For Broke National Education Center's (GFBNEC) Legacy Scholarship program invites high school and college students to explore and analyze the legacy of the Japanese American soldiers of WWII, its impact on contemporary themes of social justice, discrimination, civil liberties, and democracy, and the challenges faced by minority groups during times of conflict.

ESSAY PROMPT

This year, we invite students to respond to the following prompt in a 400–500 word essay:

"Carrying Forward the Go For Broke Spirit: How can the courage, sacrifice, and resilience of the Japanese American soldiers of WWII inspire us to address today's social challenges through community service and personal action?"

Applicants should consider how the legacy of these soldiers provides lessons that can be applied to contemporary issues such as racial justice, civic engagement, community solidarity, and perseverance in the face of adversity.

AWARD CATEGORIES

High School Awards

- **Lawson Ichiro Sakai Memorial Scholarship**
One \$1,000 scholarship for a current high school student
- **Go For Broke Legacy Scholarship**
One \$1,000 scholarship for a current high school student

College Awards

- **Lawson Ichiro Sakai Memorial Scholarship**
One \$1,000 scholarship for a current undergraduate or graduate student
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ELIGIBILITY & SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

To be eligible:

- Applicants must be currently enrolled in high school or college (undergraduate or graduate programs)
- Essays must be original work, 400–500 words in length
- Submissions must include a completed application form
- Deadline extended to: **Sunday, November 16, 2025 @ 11:59 PST**

Visit goforbroke.org/annual-student-contest for detailed information about eligibility, deadlines, and how to submit. The application can also be accessed at: tinyurl.com/2025gfb-scholarship.



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