

***Saint Louis Police Wives Association***  
***Margaret Hacker Scholastic Assistance Program***  
***(Grade Entering for 2020-2021 School Year)***

Margaret Hacker was the wife of St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department Officer Raymond Hacker, who tragically died in the line of duty on June 11, 1948. Two automobiles struck Officer Hacker on June 5, 1948 while rerouting traffic around live wires blown down during a storm. Officer Hacker succumbed to his injuries six days later. At the time of his death, Margaret and Raymond had four small children ranging from ages 1 1/2 – 12 years old. After his death, Margaret received \$96 from the Police Department. To care for her children, she moved in with her parents where she remained and eventually learned how to drive and got a job. Shortly after the St. Louis Police Wives' Association was formed, she joined and held the job of Secretary for many years and kept the organization going. Margaret was an active member of Police Wives' until her death in 2001. Many times, Margaret mentioned how she wished Police Wives' existed when she was going through the death of her husband.

Each year, St. Louis Police Wives' Association distributes scholarships for our Margaret Hacker Scholastic Assistance Program in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hacker. This program was formed to assist police officers' families with the expenses that come with education.

**To Qualify:**

Applicants must be a biological, adopted, or stepchild of an active, retired or deceased Law Enforcement Officer in Missouri or Illinois and currently enrolled in a public, private or homeschool (K-12, college/trade school) or a spouse of a police officer currently enrolled in college.

Applicants must also possess and represent a willingness to learn. Judging is done on an anonymous basis and will not be done according to income or grade.

**Requirements:**

Complete the application form on page two and attach to your essay.

- Grades K-2: Explain and/or illustrate what it means to you to have a parent/guardian involved in securing our community.
- Grades 3-5: Complete a 300-word essay explaining what it means to you to have a parent/guardian involved in securing our community.
- Grades 6-8: Complete a 600-word essay explaining what it means to you to have a parent/guardian involved in securing our community

- Grades 9-12: Complete a 1000-word essay explaining what it means to you to have a parent/guardian involved in securing our community.
- College/Trade School: Complete a 1200-word essay explaining what it means to you to have a parent/guardian involved in securing our community.
- Spouse (College or Trade School): Complete a 1500-word essay explaining what it means to you to have a spouse involved in securing our community.

Remember: Do not put your name on your essay, only put your information on the registration sheet.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Police officer's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Police officer's Department: \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade entering for the 2020-2021 school year:** \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return application and essay to:**

Saint Louis Police Wives Association  
P.O. Box 21723  
Saint Louis, MO 63109

**or email to:**

[info@slpwa.org](mailto:info@slpwa.org)

\*Entries must be received by **May 31, 2020.**

Winners will be notified by **June 21, 2020.**