ALABAMA HUMANITIES ALLIANCE

The W. Edgar Welden Fund for Education

Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarship



\$2,000 awards for Alabama's K-8 history teachers!

What is the Jenice Riley Memorial Scholarship?

The Alabama Humanities Alliance annually awards **teacher scholarships** to support K-8 Alabama educators who excel at helping students engage with history and civics. Scholarships are awarded through a competitive application process.

Teachers can use their **\$2,000** award for **history**- and **civics**-related classroom projects or for professional development.

Who can become a Riley Scholar?

- Current K-8 Alabama educators
- Public, private, and homeschool teachers all eligible

2026 proposal theme:

Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History

All Riley Scholarship proposals should address how funds would be used to enhance teaching and learning about historical events and movements connected to different revolutions, reactions, and reforms in our history.

Inspired by (but not limited to) the 250th anniversary of America's Declaration of Independence, this is also the theme of AHA's 2026 Alabama History Day competition!

Learn more:

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The Riley Scholarships honor the late Jenice Riley — an extraordinary teacher and the daughter of former Gov. Bob Riley and former First Lady Patsy Riley.

Since 2003, the Alabama Humanities Alliance has awarded:





Apply by April 30, 2026!

