



Americanism Awards

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Award: Dorothy Pearl Most Outstanding Americanism Program

Type of award: Citation Plaque

Presented to: One Unit Americanism Chairman that reports the most outstanding Americanism program targeted to children and youth

Materials and Guidelines:

- Entries must include the Award Cover Sheet located in this packet.
- The entry must be typewritten in narrative format, not to exceed 1,000 words.
- The entry may include no more than five pictures and five news articles.
- **Deadline: April 15, 2017**
- Send to Department Americanism Chairman, Amy Luft (366 Indigo Drive, Port Washington WI 53074).

Award: Most Outstanding Overall Americanism Program

Type of award: Citation Plaque

Presented to: One Unit Americanism Chairman

Materials and Guidelines:

- Entries must include the Award Cover Sheet located in this packet.
- The entry must be typewritten in narrative format, not to exceed 1,000 words.
- Include pictures, clippings, scrapbooks, folders, etc.
- **Deadline: May 1, 2017**
- Send to Department Americanism Chairman, Amy Luft (366 Indigo Drive, Port Washington WI 53074).

Student Award: Americanism Essay Contest

Type of awards:

- Department: Cash awards to five winners in each of the six Classes within the Department.
- National: Citation, \$50 prize and \$50 honorarium to the Children of Warriors National Presidents Scholarship fund to one winner in each class within Central Division.

Presented to: 30 students total; five from each Class as defined on Americanism Essay Contest Cover Sheet.

Materials and Guidelines:

- Must include the Americanism Essay Contest cover sheet.
- Unit winners must be sent to Dept. Chairman Amy Luft, 366 Indigo Dr., Port Washington WI 53074 by March 15, 2017.
- The Department Chairman will forward the department winning entries to the national division chairman by April 15, 2017.
- National winners will be informed of their award via communication from National Headquarters directly following National Convention. A copy of the letter sent to the student along with a citation will be sent to the department to forward on to the unit. The unit should arrange a public recognition of the student's achievement.



**AMERICANISM ESSAY CONTEST
2016-2017 Cover Sheet**

Each year, the American Legion Auxiliary (ALA) sponsors an Americanism Essay Contest for students in grades 3-12. Grade levels are divided into six classes.

Department: 1st place winning entry in each class will receive \$50 from Department and will be forwarded to Central Division for further competition. 2nd place winning entry in each class will receive \$25 from Department and 3rd thru 5th place winning entries in each class will receive \$10.

National: One award in each of the six classes will be presented in each division. Winners will receive \$50 and a \$50 donation in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship fund. National winners will be posted at www.ALAforVeterans.org at the start of September.

Essay Title: "How does learning about government and our America help you become a future guardian of the liberties of our country?"

Class	Grade Level	Word Requirement
I	3 and 4	150-200
II	5 and 6	250-300
III	7 and 8	350-400
IV	9 and 10	450-500
V	11 and 12	450-500
VI		Word count to correspond with student's grade level.
	Students with special needs	

Essay Checklist/Guidelines:

- Class competing in _____
- Sponsoring ALA unit _____
- Typed or neatly written essay conforming to the word requirement for class
- Completed essay coversheet as first page of essay
- Word count of essay _____
- Due date for student to return to ALA unit: March 1, 2017

To Be Completed by the Student/Parent:

Student name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email address: _____

Phone: _____

School name: _____

School city/state: _____

Teacher's name : _____

Teacher's signature: _____

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Sponsoring Unit City: _____ Unit number: _____

Signature of Unit Americanism Chairman _____

Entries due to Department Chairman on: March 15, 2017 Department: Wisconsin

Submit to: Amy Luft, 366 Indigo Drive, Port Washington, WI 53074 amyjlufft@gmail.com

Signature of Department Americanism Chairman: _____

Department winner due to National Americanism Division Chairman by April 15, 2017



**American Legion Auxiliary
2016-2017 Dept. Americanism Award Cover Sheet**

Send completed form to:
Amy Luft, Americanism Chairman
366 Indigo Drive
Port Washington, WI 53074
Email: amyluft@gmail.com ♦ Ph: 414-651-7300

This cover sheet should be attached to each narrative submitted for a national award. Please fill out the information as completely and accurately as possible.

Award certificates will be completed using the information given on this sheet, so please write carefully. All awards will be mailed to the Department office after national convention. Department Presidents may wish to recognize award recipients by presenting them at a Department function.

National committee sponsoring award: AMERICANISM

Type of Award: District Unit

Name of the award you are applying for: _____

Complete the following if you are applying for a District award:

District #: _____ Name of Department: _____

Name of District chairman: _____

Chairman's phone number: (_____) _____ ALA member ID#: _____

Chairman's email address: _____

Please complete the following if you are applying for a Unit award. Be sure to give the complete name of your unit. The award certificate will be prepared using the information you include below.

Unit #: _____ Full official unit name: _____

Unit president/chairman (circle one) name: _____

Phone number: (_____) _____ ALA member ID#: _____

Email address: _____