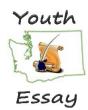
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND ITS AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT OF WASHINGTON







Official Entry Form Youth Essay Program Grades 3-4-5 2023 - 2024

THEME: "What does the word "VETERAN" mean to you?" Grade Level: Word Count: Date Due to Sponsoring Post/Auxiliary: October 31st PLEASE NOTE: This entry form must be completely filled out and accompany the essay. PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE: Students Name: _____ Phone Number: _____ Address: Parent or Guardian Name: ______ Parent email: _____ Parent or Guardian Signature: Parent Phone: _____ To be completed by person instructing student Instructor's Name _____ location Address of School or Home _____ To be completed by Post/Auxiliary Name & Number of Sponsoring Post/ Auxiliary: Address: _____ Chairman's Name: _____ District Number: _____ NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AT THE POST/AUXILIARY LEVEL The district does not sponsor this event/activity/ offer and the district assumes no responsibility for it. In consideration for the privilege to distribute these materials, the ______ School District No. _____ shall be held harmless from any cause of action filed in any court or administrative tribunal arising out of the distribution of these

materials, including all costs, attorney's fees and judgments or awards.

Veterans of Foreign Wars and Its Auxiliary Department of Washington State Youth Essay Program Rules and Regulations Grades 3-4-5

- 1. Participants must compose their own essay.
- 2. The essay must be clearly handwritten, typed or computer prepared.
- 3. Judgin. g will be under the guidance set by the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Judging will include 30 points for addressing the theme, 30 points for clarity of Ideas, 40 points for Theme Development.
- 4. Since this program is completely voluntary, a student does not have to go through his/her school to participate. Any student from any school in the State of Washington may enter the program by contacting a local Post or Auxiliary for rules and Official Entry form. Home Schooled students are also eligible.
- 5. A copy of the Official Entry form must accompany the essay. All sections of the official entry form **MUST** be completed at the Post/Auxiliary level. Entry forms **MUST** be signed by a parent.
- 6. All essays become the property of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Washington. <u>If copies are desired, you must make your own. Chairman will not return essays.</u>
- 7. Contest begins at the start of the school year.
- 8. Length: Not to exceed 250 words.
- 9. Student's Name, City, or School **MUST NOT** be on the essay, only on the entry form.
- 10. Essay must stay within the prescribed subject matter and there can be **NO** added color or artwork.
- 11. Essay written in poem form **will not be accepted**.

When you are done, submit everything that is required to:

Youth Essay Program VFW Post 8870 PO Box 701 Edmonds, WA 98020

Essays due to local Post/Auxiliary by: October 31st

Any Essay not **received** by the deadline **will not** be accepted.