

# Post Teacher Entry Form

(Make a Copy for each category winner.)



## Post Winners Section

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ MI. \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade level  K-5  6-8  9-12

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ School's Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

School's Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Post winner must provide a one page resume (no more than two sides), up to 5 pages of documentation (news articles or supervisors recommendations) and a good quality head and shoulders photo (no low grade computer printouts) to substantiate his/her nomination to the Post Chairman who will forward the packet to District Chairman.

## Post/Ladies Auxiliary Chairman Section

I certify that the teacher named above is the duly selected Post winner of the National Citizenship Education Teacher Award Program in his/her grade level category and is our Post's authorized entry into the District finals. **Deadline: February 28, 2017 to District Chairman/designated District representative.**

Signature of Post Commander/Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ VFW Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Post Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Auxiliary President/Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Auxiliary No. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Auxiliary Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of schools participating \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of teacher nominations for all categories: \_\_\_\_\_

Total dollar amount spent by Post/Ladies Auxiliary for awards for all categories and other (citations, gifts, medals, banquet): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## District/Ladies Auxiliary Chairman Section

I certify that the teacher named above is the duly selected District winner of the National Citizenship Education Teacher Award in his/her grade level category and is our District's entry into the Department finals. **Deadline for all District entries to Department is March 15, 2017.** Must include the Post winner's original application, essay, resume and up to five pages of documentation and a good quality head and shoulders photo (no low grade computer print outs).

Signature of Dist. Commander/Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Auxiliary Dist. President/Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Dist. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of schools participating: \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of teacher nominations for all categories: \_\_\_\_\_

List all Posts participating in program: \_\_\_\_\_

Total dollar amount spent by Posts/Auxiliaries for awards for all categories and other (citations, gifts, medals, banquet): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**VFW Department Commander/Chairman Section**

I certify that the teacher listed above is the duly selected winner of the 2016 – 2017 National Citizenship Education Teacher Award in our Department in his/her grade level and is our official entry into the National judging. April 15, 2017 is the deadline for all Department entries to National Citizenship Education Department. VFW National Headquarters, 406 W 34 St, Kansas City, MO 64111. No extensions permitted.

I hereby certify that our teacher HAS BEEN or WILL BE (circle one) notified that they are the first place state winner in their grade level on the following date \_\_\_\_\_

REMEMBER: National Headquarters will contact your winner and Department Adjutant if he/she is selected as the National Winner.

Signature of Dept. Commander/Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address/PO Box (City, State, Zip) \_\_\_\_\_

**Note: Be sure this form is entirely completed before sending to National Headquarters with your state winner's original nomination form, essay, one page resume, up to five pages of documentation and a good quality head and shoulders photograph no low grade computer printouts). Remember this form is due back to VFW National Headquarters Citizenship Education Department by April 15<sup>th</sup>. 2017.**

# TEACHER'S AWARD JUDGING SCORE SHEET

TEACHER'S NAME	CITIZENSHIP (1-25 points)	INNOVATION (1-25 points)	RESOURCES (1-25 points)	PASSION (1-25 points)	TOTAL (possible 100 points)

## JUDGING CRITERIA

**CITIZENSHIP – 1-25 Points-** On a scale of 1-25, to what extent does the teacher encourage and/or model good citizenship and community involvement?

**INNOVATION – 1-25 Points-** On a scale of 1-25, how much innovation (new ideas, new tools, new resources, and new approaches) does this teacher utilize in the classroom? Does this teacher's effort reflect an ongoing desire to stimulate the students with new things?

**RESOURCES – 1-25 Points-** On a scale of 1-25, to what degree has this teacher demonstrated an ability to identify and utilize new and exceptional resources to fund, facilitate and provide materials for his or her classroom? Does this teacher tap into outside agencies, organizations and individuals to acquire materials and expertise in the classroom? As an example- bringing speakers, finding in-kind and monetary donations, utilize local opportunities like museums, field trips and local events.

**PASSION – 1-25 Points-** On a scale of 1-25, to what degree does this teacher appear to be passionate about the profession of teaching? Are they regularly seeking to upgrade their skills? Do they try and find ways to encourage their students? Do they take a personal interest in their student's individual success?

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ POST # \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE LEVEL  K-5  6-8  9-12

JUDGE'S NAME (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

JUDGE'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Judges should be carefully selected, preferably from individuals who have classroom experience and understand the challenges of teaching. They should never have any affiliation with the nominees or the schools where the nominees teach. While it may be necessary to use VFW and its Auxiliary members, it is preferred that judges come from outside our ranks to avoid the appearance of impropriety. During the judging, the chairman should facilitate and observe but refrain from offering his or her observations on the candidates. The judges are encouraged to discuss the candidates but must arrive at their own numerical evaluation using the grid above. Make sure all judges are kept aware of the progress of the teachers they have judged and are invited to any awards presentations.