



Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary Americanism/Patriotic Instructor Guide Sheet 2023-2024

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Facebook Page: Americanism-Michigan

National Theme: Banding Together for our Veterans
Department Theme: Our Veterans, The Angels Among Us

Congratulations on being selected as the Americanism Chairman/Patriotic Instructor. My name is Roberta and I'm very excited to be your Americanism Chairman for 2023-2024. I'm sure we're ready to show our Patriotism in America. We need to assist with parades, programs, and events in our community, state, and nation.

Another way to promote patriotism is by celebrating the Patriotic Holidays. Throughout the year, I will remind you when they are and what you can do to celebrate them. We should also honor our Gold, Silver, Blue, and White Star families not only on the designated days, but throughout the year.

We need to fly our American flag and POW/MIA flag to show our Patriotism by teaching the children to respect of the flag.

National Award for Members/Auxiliaries

1. Most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are "more than Letters."
 - Citation to every Auxiliary that hosts an activity and/or event that educates their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are "more than letters." Entry form required and available in MALTA Member Resources. Auxiliaries Must send the entry form to their Department Americanism Chairman by March 31, 2024, for judging. The Department Americanism Chairman must email National Headquarters by April 30, 2024, at info@vfwauxiliary.org a total combined list of every Auxiliary in their Department that completed and submitted an entry form.
 - Citations will be mailed directly to participating Auxiliaries from National Headquarters.
- Citation and \$25 to one Auxiliary in each of the four Conferences that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community that our VFW Auxiliary acronyms are "more than letters."
 - The Department Americanism Chairman must sign and send a copy of the completed Department -winning entry form to the National Americanism Ambassador by April 30, 2024, for judging.
 - Citations will be mailed directly to winning Auxiliaries from National Headquarters and money will be deposited into Auxiliary account after National Convention.

Department Awards

- Best promotion of Patriotic Holidays through observance, ceremony, and/or tribute in each membership category \$10.00 and Citation of Merit to Auxiliary.
- Best overall program on the education of Americanism/Patriotism in the community/schools \$10.00 and Citation of Merit to Auxiliary.
- Best overall usage of #MoreThanLetters to members and community. \$10.00 and Citation of Merit to Auxiliary.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

#1 -10-36	#2 -37-50	#3 51-68	#4 - 69-84	#5 - 85-98
#6 - 99-115	#7 - 116-139	#8 -140-166	#9 -167-237	#10 -238-OVER
Achievements			Completed	Reported
Utilized any of the Americanism material/resources available in MALTA Member Resources.				
Promoted, participated, recognized, any patriotic day and /or branch of service birthdays.				
Did your Auxiliary distribute and/or present American Flags, or POW/MIA flags.				
How many American Flags were Distributed and or presented.				
How many POW/MIA Flags were Distributed and or presented				
Report number of Patriotic Appreciation Citations, Certificate of Appreciation or Respect for the Flag Citations presented to citizens and/or businesses in recognition of their displaying the American Flag, POW/MIA flag and/or other displays of American Pride				

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