

Michigan Department VFW Auxiliary Scholarships Guide Sheet 2024-25

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National Theme: From Our Roots to Our Branches Extending Service to Our Veterans

Department Theme: Aspire to Inspire

Program Goals

Student Participation - Recipient Recognition - Community Awareness - Increasing the Fund

Each of our scholarships encourage patriotism, assist students in attaining an education and help students reach their full potential. This increases VFW and Auxiliary recognition while supporting our communities, students, and members. Here is a list of all of the Scholarships:

- Continuing Education Scholarship
- Young American Creative Patriotic Art Contest AND 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest
- 2024-2025 VFW Voice of Democracy Audio-Essay Contest-Theme: "Is America Today Our Forefathers' Vision?"
- 2024-2025 VFW Patriot's Pen Essay Contest-"My Voice in America's Democracy?"
- Smart/Maher VFW National Citizenship Education Teacher Award Citation for Elementary, Middle and High School teachers and their schools.

NATIONAL AWARDS FOR AUXILIARIES

- 1. Most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary.
 - Citation and \$25.00 to one VFW Auxiliary in each of the 10 Program Divisions
 that hosts the most outstanding activity and/or event educating their community
 about scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary.

Entry form required and available in the MALTA Membership Resources. VFW Auxiliaries must send the required form to the Department Scholarship Chairman by March 31, 2025 for judging. Citations will be mailed directly to the winning Auxiliaries from the National Headquarters and money will be deposited in the winning VFW Auxiliary account after the 2025 VFW Auxiliary National Convention.

DEPARTMENT AWARDS

- Best outstanding activity and/or event educating their community about the scholarship opportunities in the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary in each category. Auxiliary must send the required National entry form to the Department Chairman. \$10 and a Citation of Merit to the Auxiliary
- Best Overall promotion of 2-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest. \$10 and a Citation of Merit to the Auxiliary

- Best promotion of 3-Dimensional Young American Creation Patriotic Art Contest. \$10 and a Citation of Merit to the Auxiliary
- Best Overall promotion of Voice of Democracy. \$10 and a Citation of Merit to Auxiliary
- Best Overall promotion of Patriot's Pen Program. \$10 and a Citation of Merit to Auxiliary
- Best Overall promotion of the Continuing Education Scholarship. \$10 and a Citation of Merit to the 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
Promote/participate in the Continuing Education Scholarship Contest		
Donation to the Continuing Education Scholarship		
Promote/participate in the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Scholarship		
Number of students that submitted 2-Dimensional art entries for judging		
Donation to Young American Creative Patriotic Art Scholarship		
Promote/participate in the 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest Scholarship		
Number of students that submitted 3-Dimensional art entries for judging		
Donation to 3-Dimensional Patriotic Art Contest Scholarship		
Assist the VFW Post in promoting or conducting the Patriot's Pen Essay		
Contest		
Assist the VFW Post in promoting or conducting the Voice of Democracy Audio		
Essay Contest		
Assist the VFW Post in promoting or conducting the Teacher of the Year		
Program		
Host/co-host with the VFW an award ceremony to recognize awardees and		
participants in any/all contests		
Total dollar amount and/or value of awards presented by Auxiliary in any/all		
contests		
Attend and register at a School of Instruction – District Meeting, Fall		
Conference or Mid-Winter Conference		
Attend and register at own District Meeting		
Report in all 4 quarters		

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