

Scholarships

My name is Amanda Silva and I have been appointed as the Scholarship Chairman for the remainder of the year! I am so excited to take on this role! Our past Scholarship Chairman did such a great job with this and I hope I can take so much of what I learned to apply it to help all our auxiliaries spread the word on how great these Scholarship opportunities are throughout the rest of the year!

First things first, Deadlines for Voice of Democracy and Patriot's pen are coming up!

Voice of Democracy

- DEADLINE TO VFW POST: October 31st 2024 (HALLOWEEN)
- POST JUDGING COMPLETE: November 15th 2024
- DEPARTMENT JUDGING COMPLETE: January 10th 2025
- DEPT WINNER TO VFW HQ: January 15th 2025

National Award:	Department Award:
1 st Place - \$35,000	1 st Place - \$1,000
2 nd Place - \$21,000	2 nd Place - \$750
3 rd Place - \$15,000	3 rd Place - \$500
4 th -36 th Place - \$7,000 - \$1,500	
37 th -53 rd Place - \$1,000	

This year's Theme: Is America Today, our Forefather's vision?

- 9-12th Grade
- 3-5 Minute Audio Essay on a Flash Drive.
- Recorded Essay, typed essay and completed entry form.
- NO music, singing, poetry or sound effects are allowed.
- No identifying information.
- Must be contestant's original work.

Patriot's Pen

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National Award:	Department Award:
1 st Place - \$5,000	1 st Place - \$500
2 nd Place - \$4,000	2 nd Place - \$300
3 rd Place - \$3,500	3 rd Place - \$200
4 th -53 rd Place - \$2,750 - \$500	

This year's Theme: My Voice in America's Democracy

- 6-8th Grade
- 300-400 Word Essay.
- No identifying information.

- Must be contestant's original work.

RECOGNITION IS KEY! It is important that winners receive recognition at every level!

Certificate/Gift at local level, Host an award ceremony, Present awards at school assembly, AND Don't forget to recognize their parents and their teachers!

Thank you all and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions you might have!

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