



Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue Contest Information

An individual singing contest for youth in grades K-12 at the time of local entry, and a U.S. citizen or U.S. national. Youth learn the words to "The Star-Spangled Banner" while expressing their creativity. The contest highlights the vocal talent of young people while promoting patriotism.

This message is coming from Joyce Caldwell
Youth Activities Ambassador 2023-2024.

Many of you have inquired about the submission of your Department winner for the "Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue" singing contest. I have received verification from National as follows:

"When submitting the Department winning "Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue" video to National Headquarters, it will need to be an MP4 format. The Departments will be submitting the MP4 Videos into a Dropbox provided by National Headquarters at a later date."

VFW Auxiliary Judging deadline date March 31.

Entry forms and advertisements can be found at <https://vfwauxmd.org> under Youth Activities.



Illustrating America Contest Information

A patriotic art contest for elementary and middle/junior high school students that encourages students' artistic abilities and rewards their hard work. It's fun to see how our youth see the world through their drawings and paintings. The contest consists of three grade divisions: K-2, 3-5 and 6-8. There are National awards for first, second and third place in each grade division



**VFW Auxiliary National
Illustrating America Art Contest**
An Art contest for students in grades K-8

Student Name: _____ Age: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Email: _____ Phone: _____
 School Name: _____ Grade: _____
 Parent/Guardian Name: _____
 Parent/Guardian Email: _____ Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

*I hereby grant permission of the artwork by the student listed above to be published in VFW Auxiliary Magazine, on the VFW Auxiliary website and to be used for any and all promotional purposes by the VFW Auxiliary and the VFW Store if named a winner of one of the top national awards. I hereby verifying that the entry was done by the student listed above.

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

**This section to be filled out by VFW Auxiliary at each judging level.
National Headquarters only accepts Department level first place winners.
Any other entries received at National Headquarters will be disqualified.**

Sponsoring VFW Auxiliary No.: _____ Department of: _____

Please check the appropriate grade division.

This first place entry is for: GradeK-2 OR Grade3-5 OR Grade 6-8

VFW Auxiliary Judging deadline date March 31
 Auxiliary Youth Activities Chairman verification signature: _____
 Email: _____ Phone: _____
Artwork is property of the student and must be returned immediately to the address listed above if not advancing to the next level.

Department Judging deadline date April 15th
 Department Youth Activities Chairman verification signature: _____
 Email: _____ Phone: _____
Artwork is property of the student and must be returned immediately to the address listed above if not advancing to the next level.

Final Level - Department winning entries must be received at
VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters by May 5 or they will be disqualified.
ATTN: Program Awards Administrator

Entry forms and advertisements can be found at <https://vfwauxmd.org> under Youth Activities.

**VFW
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Judging
deadline date
March 31.**