

VFW PROGRAMS DEADLINE DATES

Smart/Maher Citizenship Education Teacher Award

- *October 31, Entries to the Post
- November 15, Completion of Post judging
- December 15, Completion of District judging
- *February 1, Department winners and reports due to National (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation)

Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen

- *October 31, Student entries to the Post
- November 15, Completion of Post judging
- December 15, Completion of District judging
- January 10, Completion of Department judging
- January 15, District participation reports due to Department Chairmen
- *January 15, Department winners due to National
- *January 31, Department reports due to National

Scout of the Year

- *March 1, Scout entries to the Post
- *April 1, Post entries to Department Scouting Chairman or Department HQs
- *May 1, Department entry to National from Department Scouting Chairman or Department HQs

Community Service

- *June 30, Community Service Reports Deadline.
- *July 1, National Community Service Posts of the Year (NCSP). The National Programs office will determine the top National Community Service Post in each department, based off their community service reporting and total impact, from July 1 to June 30 of the previous year.
- *July 1, Outstanding National Community Service Post of the year. Each Conference will have an ONCSP Winner based on total impact from July 1 to June 30 of the previous year.

Public Servant National Award (Law Enforcement, Firefighter, Emergency Services, Dispatcher and Explosive Ordnance Disposal Tech)

- January 1, Nominations due (from Post to Department)
- *February 1, (to guarantee receipt for Department Convention presentation), Nominations due from Department to National

****Required deadline (by VFW National Headquarters.) All other deadlines are suggested and can be internally set at the discretion of the VFW Department leadership. Post Chairmen, be sure to communicate with your District Chairmen to find out their official deadlines, and District Chairmen need to communicate with their Department Chairmen to find out their deadlines.***

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