

# EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIP BULLETIN

## 2022-2023

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**Mid-Year Reports are due by December 15, 2022**

**Year-End Reports are due by May 1, 2023**

The American Legion Auxiliary believes that the more knowledge our young people gain, the better citizens they will become and that investing time and money to educate our youth is literally an investment in America's future. Our Education Program fosters learning for children in our own communities, with special emphasis on the children of our military and veterans.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS:**

The Auxiliary supports various scholarship programs that benefit veterans, the descendants of veterans, and The American Legion Family

1. There are four major scholarships awarded at the National level: Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship; Non-Traditional Student Scholarship; Spirit of Youth Scholarship; and the Junior Loyalty Scholarship. *Deadline for all four applications is March 1, 2023.* Information and applications are available on the following websites: [alaoregon.org/programs/scholarships](http://alaoregon.org/programs/scholarships) and/or [ALAforVeterans.org/scholarships](http://ALAforVeterans.org/scholarships).
2. Department of Oregon Gift Scholarship will be granted to a child of a Veteran, or widow of a veteran, or wife of a disabled veteran for educational assistance other than high school. Information and application are available at [alaoregon.org/programs/scholarships](http://alaoregon.org/programs/scholarships).
3. Units should make all scholarship applications available to high schools (public, private, and parochial).
4. Check the websites for information on other scholarships or awards that are available.

### **LITERACY:**

Literacy is the ability to read and write at a level needed to effectively communicate and function in society.

1. Members should be encouraged to become involved in community literacy programs and reading programs in preschools, elementary schools, and other youth groups.
2. Encourage Junior members to read and share the gift of reading with other children.

3. Promote the “Give 10 to Education” Program which asks Units to give 10 (or multiples of 10) of any item to schools. See attached *suggested donated items and tracking form* for Units to use as part of this activity.

**We also support the following programs:** Veterans in the Classroom; Educating the Children of the Men and Women of the National Guard; and Supporting American Legion Education Programs. Additional information on these programs can be found at [ALAforVeterans.org/programs](http://ALAforVeterans.org/programs).

#### **DEPARTMENT AWARDS:**

1. **Evelyn Ogilvie Education Award:** presented annually to the unit submitting the best all-around education narrative report. Report must include the unit’s name, number, name of unit president, and name of unit chair. Photos, newspaper articles, etc. are a plus – include them when sending your report.  
Report must be accompanied by the *Education Annual Report Form (attached)*. This form provides information regarding Unit activities for the year. Report is due May 1<sup>st</sup>.
2. **Ellen Eivers, Department Scholarship Award:** Presented annually to the unit sponsoring the Department Scholarship applicant winner.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**American Education Week – November 14-18, 2022**

**Teacher Appreciation Week – May 8-12, 2023**

**Scholarship applications due March 1, 2023**

**Be safe, stay healthy, and please continue to be part of the Community of Volunteers serving veterans, military, and their families.**

## EDUCATION ANNUAL REPORT FORM

**Complete this form and include with your narrative for end-of-year reports. Must be postmarked no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Unit Name and Number \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Membership \_\_\_\_\_

1. Scholarships – How many applications were received for the following;
  - a. Children of Warriors National President’s Scholarship: Received \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Spirit of Youth Scholarship: Received \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Non-Traditional Student Scholarship: Received \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Junior Loyalty Scholarship: Received \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. Number of Unit Scholarships awarded: \_\_\_\_\_ Value \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Total number of schools contacted \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Donations:
  - a. Donations your Unit made to American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship Fund: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Donations your Unit made to the National President’s Scholarship Fund? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Donations to other scholarship funds: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ (please list on back)? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Literacy: Did your Unit participate in this program?
  - a. Number of schools served \_\_\_\_\_ Number of people served \_\_\_\_\_  
Dollars spent on project \_\_\_\_\_ Hours spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Did you participate in “Give 10 to Education? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Value: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
What activities did your Unit do to participate in this program  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
4. Did your Unit participate in Classroom mentoring and reading programs? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
Number of schools served \_\_\_\_\_ Number of people served \_\_\_\_\_  
Dollars spent/donated \_\_\_\_\_ Hours Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Did your Unit participate in Veterans in the Classroom Program?  
Number of schools served \_\_\_\_\_ Number of students served \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs spent \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. Did your Unit support American Legion Education Programs \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. American Education Week: Number of students \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Oratorical Contest: Number of students \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Hrs Spent \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Other programs: \_\_\_\_\_
  
7. Did your Unit participate in the National Guard Outreach Program? If yes, describe briefly:  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
8. Did your Unit distribute any resources? If yes, please list:  
\_\_\_\_\_
  
9. Include any additional information about your Education Program that you would like us to know:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Be sure to include any photos, newspaper clippings, etc.

## 2022-2023 National Education Program Awards Deadlines and Submission Requirements

Thank you for taking the time to share a favorite story about the positive impact you or someone you know has had on our mission! Your story may inspire another member into service. It also helps us tell the world who we are, what we do, and why we matter.

Here are the national awards for this committee:

### **Unit Award: Most Outstanding Unit Education Program (per division)**

- All unit entries must be submitted by the department chairman via [electronic form](#) by 5 p.m. EST on June 1.

Note: You will receive a confirmation when your award is submitted. Unit members should follow instructions from their department.

**National Awards Form Link:** <https://www.legion-aux.org/National-Awards-Form>

### **Department Award: Best Department Education Program (per division)**

- All department entries must be submitted by the department chairman via [electronic form](#) by 5 p.m. EST on June 1.

Note: You will receive a confirmation when your award is submitted.

***Please note – when applicable, unit and department deadlines differ.***

Questions? Contact [Education@ALAforVeterans.org](mailto:Education@ALAforVeterans.org)

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Please fill out the information as completely and accurately as possible. Award certificates will be completed using the information given on this sheet, so please be sure to complete the [electronic form](#) in its entirety.

Please refer to the webpage for the specific criteria such as photographs, narrative length, submission deadline, and point of contact. All awards will be mailed to the department office after ALA National Convention. Department presidents may wish to recognize award recipients by presenting them with the award at a department function.