

Get Excited for the Red, White and Blue!

A national anthem singing contest for youth ages six to 16.

CONTEST ELIGIBILITY

- Open to youth ages six to 16 years at the time of local entry.
- Contestant must be a U.S. citizen or U.S. national.
- Contestant does not have to be related to a VFW or VFW Auxiliary member to participate, but must live or attend school in the same state as the sponsoring VFW Auxiliary.

CONTEST RULES

- Video of contestant solo vocal performance of "The Star-Spangled Banner" must be recorded between July 1, 2020 and March 31, 2021.
- Contestant shall state name and age prior to vocal performance.
- Contestant may sing a cappella, with backing tracks or instruments.
- Contestant may sing in the arrangement and genre of their choice.
- Contestant may **NOT** change the words.
- Complete and sign contest entry form.
- Parent/Guardian signature required on entry form.

NATIONAL AWARDS

- One winner in each of the 10 National Auxiliary Program Divisions will receive a \$100 Visa gift card.
- One national winner will be selected from the 10 National Auxiliary Program Division winners.
- The national winner will receive an additional \$1,000 Visa gift card.

CONTESTANT SUBMISSION DEADLINE

March 31: Entry deadline to VFW Auxiliary.*

Video must be saved to a DVD or flash drive, or uploaded to an online video platform (e.g. YouTube or Vimeo) and submitted with completed entry form to a local Auxiliary for judging.

Maximum one entry per contestant. VFW Auxiliary is not responsible for incomplete, lost, late, misdirected or poor quality video entries. All scores are final as received from the judges. Falsifying information on the entry form is reason for immediate disqualification. All contestants agree to abide by the contest rules. Any violation of these rules shall be cause for immediate disqualification and forfeiture of award.

JUDGING AND AUXILIARY DEADLINES

Entry will be judged on vocal ability, mastery of lyrics, originality or interpretation and entertainment value.

One winner from each VFW Auxiliary advances to the District competition (if applicable).

April 10: Local VFW Auxiliary and District judging complete.

One winner from each District (if applicable) advances to the Department competition.

April 15: Local VFW Auxiliary and District (if applicable) winners to Department (state) Youth Activities Chairman for judging.*

One winner from each Department advances to the National Auxiliary Program Division competition.

May 5: VFW Auxiliary Department (state) winners due to VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters.*

June: National Auxiliary Program Division winners selected in each of the 10 Auxiliary Program Divisions.

July: One national winner selected from the National Auxiliary Program Division winners.

Winners will be notified the week of August 9, 2021 via the email address provided on the winners' entry form.

* required deadlines

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