

## 2021-2022

**Entry Deadline: October 31, 2021**

**National Award: \$3,000**

### What is the Teacher Award Program?

Founded in 1899, the VFW highly supports the education of America's youth. VFW and its Auxiliary have developed a slate of programs dedicated to helping America's educators. VFW Citizenship Education programs stimulate interest in America's history, traditions, Americanism, civic responsibility, flag etiquette and patriotism.

Teachers care deeply about America and its children. They're concerned about the perpetuation of America's noblest traditions and highest ideals. Wouldn't you like to see them get the honor they deserve? Now you can...

### Why Should I Enter?

VFW wants to identify and recognize America's best educators who instill a sense of national pride in students. It offers cash awards, commemorative plaques and all-expenses-paid trips to the VFW National Convention for these worthy teachers. The trip provides an opportunity for winners to network with like-minded individuals.

### The Rules

#### How are teachers nominated?

Fill out this nomination form, and along with this form, provide a one-page resume, as a minimum, or up to five pages as a maximum of documentation of your/their teaching experience (for example: references, news articles, etc.) and a head-and-shoulder photo if available.

If you are nominating someone then please have them provide you with the above information and submit it along with this form. Please submit nomination form signed, along with the required documentation, to

VFW Post 9182  
Attn: Teacher Award P.O. Box 37  
Katy, TX 77492

#### Who is Eligible?

All current certified/licensed teachers in grades K-12 are eligible. Previous national VFW winners are ineligible. Nominations can be submitted by themselves, fellow teachers, supervisors, family members or other interested individuals.

### 2021-2022 Official Entry Form Teacher Award Competition

**Must Be Completed by All Contestants**

Name: First, M.I., Last

Address

City, State, Zip

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Phone

Email

Grade Taught

School Name

School City, State

#### Person Making Nomination

Only fill out if you are nominating someone other than yourself

Name: First, M.I., Last

Address

City, State, Zip

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Phone

Email

#### To Be Completed by the VFW Post

I certify that this teacher has an authorized entry in our VFW Post Level Teacher Award Competition.

Post Commander's/Chairman's Signature

Post #

VFW Auxiliary President's/Chairman's Signature (if applicable)

Post Address

City, State, Zip

VFW Post Email

No. of teachers participating

Amt. of Post/Aux. awards \$

Amt. of Post/Aux. additional expenses (banquet, pins, etc.) \$

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### To Be Completed by the VFW District (If Applicable)

I certify that the teacher named in the previous section is the duly selected winner of the Teacher Award District Competition and is our sole entry into the Departments.

\_\_\_\_\_  
District Chairman's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dist. #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### To Be Completed by the VFW Department Chairman

I certify that the teacher named in the previous section is the duly selected first-place winner of the Teacher Award Department Competition, is our sole entry into the National Judging.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Chairman's Signature

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Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

The winner  has been  will be (check one) notified that they are the first-place Department winner on \_\_\_\_\_.

### Local VFW Post Information

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VFW Post 9182  
Coordinator:  
Commander Don Byrne  
832-437-7835

**Mail submissions to:**  
VFW Post 9182  
Attn: Teacher Award P.O.  
Box 37 Katy, TX 77492  
[vfw9182.org](mailto:vfw9182.org)

### Where Do I Submit My Entry?

All entries begin at the local VFW Post level. Individual nominees may submit their entry directly to the Post. This VFW Post should be within your local area and within your U.S. state of residence. Entries sent to VFW National will be returned. One Post winner advances to District, if applicable, then one District winner advances to the state (Department) competition.

### What Is the Deadline for My Entry?

All entries competing at the Post level must be in the hands of that VFW Post by midnight, Oct. 31, 2021. It is the responsibility of the nominator to meet this deadline by submitting their entry to the proper location by ensuring it is a participating Post.

### What Are the Judging Criteria?

- Citizenship (1-25 points):** On a scale of 1-25, to what extent does the teacher encourage and/or model good citizenship and community involvement?
- Innovation (1-25 points):** On a scale of 1-25, how much innovation (new ideas, new tools, new resources, and new approaches) does this teacher utilize in the classroom? Does this teacher's effort reflect an ongoing desire to stimulate the students with new things?
- Resources (1-25 points):** On a scale of 1-25, to what degree has this teacher demonstrated an ability to identify and utilize new and exceptional resources to fund, facilitate and provide materials for his or her classroom? Does this teacher tap into outside agencies, organizations and individuals to acquire materials and expertise in the classroom? As an example – bringing speakers, finding in-kind and monetary donations, or utilizing local opportunities like museums, field trips and local events.
- Passion (1-25 points):** On a scale of 1-25, to what degree does this teacher appear to be passionate about the profession of teaching? Are they regularly seeking to upgrade their skills? Do they try and find ways to encourage their students? Do they take a personal interest in their student's individual success?



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For assistance contact:  
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