



2009-2010 Instructions for Judging Junior Girls Scholarship Program

The purpose of this program is to reward an outstanding Junior Girl by helping her pursue her education, after high school

1. AUXILIARY LEVEL

- A. To apply for the Junior Girls Scholarship, please send one letter of recommendation from a person of your choice, one from a schoolteacher, and one from your Auxiliary Youth Activities Chairman. (Note: If the Chairman is a relative, the letter should be from your Ladies Auxiliary or Post leader.) Submit a grade transcript from your school. (If grade point system is different than 4.0 system, please have school convert grades to 4.0.) Finally, please provide the following information on no more than five 8½" x 11" sheets of paper. All four categories – Personal, Junior Girls Unit, School Activities Participation, and Scholastic Information – must be answered, the above-mentioned materials submitted, and the requested signatures included for the application to be considered complete.
- B. A panel of judges should be asked to evaluate the applications. Choose judges from the following categories: schoolteachers, retired schoolteachers, school counselors, ministers, church youth group advisors, Scouting and other youth club leaders.
- C. After judging, send the winning application to your Department Youth Activities Chairman for judging on the Department level. Your Auxiliary's winning application must be received by the Department Chairman by March 25.
- D. Applicant must be a member of a Junior Girls Unit one (1) full year, and her current dues must be paid.

2. DEPARTMENT LEVEL

- A. Be sure all items mentioned in 1A are submitted.
- B. Choose judges from community leaders listed in 1B.
- C. The **FIRST-PLACE APPLICATION** along with the accompanying transcript and letters of recommendation must be received at the address below by April 7. Send only the first-place winner to: Administrator of Programs, Ladies Auxiliary VFW, 406 W. 34th St., 10th Floor, Kansas City, MO 64111

3. NATIONAL LEVEL

- A. A panel of judges will select a first-place winner, who will receive a \$7,500 scholarship and a plaque, which will be mailed to the Department for presentation at the winner's school, if possible. \$100 to each Junior Girls Unit member who is selected as the Department's winner and entered in the national competition. Note: The national first-place winner will not receive the \$100.
- B. All materials submitted will become the property of National Headquarters and will NOT be returned to the applicant.
- C. If winners do not complete schooling of at least one year, any money not used from the scholarship will be returned to the Ladies Auxiliary VFW National Headquarters.

All levels will use the following point system for judging

Junior Girls Activities	40 points
School Activities	30 points
Scholastic Grades	30 points