



## JUNIOR ACTIVITIES PATCH PROGRAM ORDER FORM

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### Purple Level: Pre-school Age 3 - Kindergarten (NEW)

Purple - Americanism  
Purple - Membership  
Purple - Poppy

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### Red Level: 1st - 4th grades

Red - Americanism  
Red - Community & Family Safety  
Red - Community Service  
Red - Digital Media  
Red - Education  
Red - Leadership  
Red - Membership  
Red - Physical Fitness  
Red - Poppy  
Red - Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

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### Gold Level: 5th - 8th grades

Gold - Americanism  
Gold - Community & Family Safety  
Gold - Community Service  
Gold - Education  
Gold - Leadership  
Gold - Membership  
Gold - Physical Fitness  
Gold - Poppy  
Gold - Star Spangled Kids  
Gold - Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

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### Blue Level: 9th - 12th grades

Blue - Americanism  
Blue -Caregiver  
Blue -Community Service  
Blue -Education  
Blue -Goodwill  
Blue -History  
Blue -Leadership  
Blue -Membership  
Blue -National Security  
Blue -Physical Fitness  
Blue -Poppy  
Blue -Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation

## 2023-2024 National Junior Activities 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:

### **Member Award: Junior Member of the Year**

- Nominees must have been a Junior at the start of the current ALA administrative year.
- Narrative should detail the Junior nominee's ALA participation and activities during the past year. Document with photographs, screenshots, and other evidence of Junior's ALA participation and activities.
- All entries must be submitted via [electronic form](#) by 5 p.m. EST on June 1.
- Note: You will receive a confirmation when your award is submitted.

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

### **Unit Award: Most Outstanding Unit Junior Activities 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 Junior Activities 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.

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

### **National Award: Best Media Coverage of Activity or Project**

- Narrative should detail activity or project from inception to completion and a list of all media coverage. Document with photographs, screen shots, and other evidence of media coverage.
- All 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.

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

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

### ***Fine Print:***

Award submissions become property of the American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters. Through submission of reports and award entries, the submitter grants nonexclusive reproduction and publication rights to the materials submitted and agrees to have their names and submission published for ALA use or commercial use without additional compensation or permission.

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.

<https://member.legion-aux.org/member/awards/junior-activities-program-awards>

## Important Dates

- April 15: Purple Up! Day for Military Children
- May 15: Department chairmen reports due to division chairmen, cc: national chairman
- June 1: Awards submissions due, including Junior Member of the Year
- August 1-15: Honorary National Junior Division Vice President elections. Open to any Junior who attended a 2023-2024 national Junior meeting. Winners will be announced at National Convention.
- 2023-2024 National Junior Meetings: [See dates and locations here](#)

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Junior Activities Committee is to inspire active participation in members aged 17 and under so they become engaging, productive members who will want to continue their American Legion Auxiliary membership into adulthood. *Standing Rule 6, National Committees – Mission Outreach*

## Key Program Statements:

- To inspire active participation in members age 17 and under so that they will become engaging, productive members who will want to continue their American Legion Auxiliary membership into adulthood.
- To build the Junior Activities program one member at a time by giving Junior members a voice and an opportunity to participate.
- To promote and encourage Junior participation in the Patch Program in order to teach them about the mission of the American Legion Auxiliary.
- To make Junior meetings fun and informative.

## ALA Juniors Social Media

- [ALA Central Division Junior Activities Group](#)
- [ALA Eastern Division Junior Activities Group](#)
- [ALA Northwestern Division Junior Activities Group](#)
- [ALA Southern Division Junior Activities Group](#)
- [ALA Western Division Junior Activities Group](#)
- <https://www.instagram.com/alajuniors/>

Contact Junior Activities Committee: [JuniorActivities@ALAforVeterans.org](mailto:JuniorActivities@ALAforVeterans.org)

## Junior Activities Key Resources

[Junior Activities Handbook](#) [Order Junior Activities Handbook](#) [Youth Programs Brochure](#) [Commemorative Graduation Certificate](#) [Commemorative Enrollment Certificate](#)

## Related Pages

[Junior Activities Patch Program](#) [Spirit of Youth Scholarship](#) [Junior Member Loyalty Scholarship](#) [Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship](#) [James H Parke Scholarship](#) [National Junior Meetings](#)