

# 2020-2021 Youth Activities .....NOVEMBER 2020 Guidesheet

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FALL CONFERENCE has come and went. I hope many of you got to participate and attend!

Congratulations to the winners in the Youth Activities program for some great reporting and great PR in getting the word out about our two great contests and recognizing our youth efforts:

## ***CELEBRATING THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE singing contest and the ILLUSTRATING AMERICA art contest!***

Keep getting the word out to the schools, churches and various civic organizations. Be sure to include all those kiddos that hang out at your VFW POST, at your house, at your church, and at your work etc. Have fun with the programs and engage the youth to help get the word out! Make and hang posters, send emails, do facebook posts, get on the radio and announce it, put an ad in your local newspaper; Enlist your kids and grandkids to help get the word out and get involved themselves. Don't forget the holiday parties are a great time to distribution flyers to your membership and to the kids that attend. Set up your audition night and announce it so they all have time to plan their performance and submit it to your AUXILIARY before the deadline!.... Hold a workshop with a local art teacher to create those winning masterpieces....!

Don't let Covid stop us from getting the word out!

Kids are EVERYWHERE !

**Deadline is March 31, 2021 to have your POST AUXILIARY sponsored winners announced and you have until April 15, 2021 to get your POST AUXILIARY winners to me in **BOTH contests!** All the rules and applications are on the [vfwaux.org](http://vfwaux.org) website or the [vfwauxin.org](http://vfwauxin.org) website. If you have trouble finding them, let me know.**

**VOLUNTEER SEASON IS UPON ALL OF US!** Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday seasons are just around the corner. Be sure to send in pictures with your next report and don't forget to use the **Travel Log** to help you log in the number of youth and youth groups you and your auxiliary/post are helping and engaging to help document your journey as you travel through this year.

Don't forget those special youth group(s) and individual youth that go over and above. Print off the available certificates and maybe host an appreciation pizza party at the POST for them and invite the media to do a story. Try to include them in your POST holiday dinners, parties, food drives, community activities etc.

Note: When you are working with the youth try to wear your VFW Auxiliary attire to be more visual in the community. If you volunteer help with other youth endeavors, such as Girl Scout, Boy Scouts, 4-H, Ball teams, FFA etc, be sure you report those group activities as well.

R.A.P. Coins and cards..... Always have some available for those impromptu times to say "Good Job" to those that show RANDOM ACTS of PATRIOTISM.

Until we meet at the next rest stop, Keep on getting the word out, enjoy those kiddos, and share what you know.

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