

AWARDS

This medal is the highest honor awarded American youth by The American Legion. It is a medal that proclaims to the world that this boy or girl is the kind of young person we believe worthy of such an honor.

The recipients (one boy and one girl) are selected from the graduating class of elementary, junior high or middle schools, senior high schools and college. In schools where there are many graduates or where students are grouped (such as sixth grade centers or special interest schools), special arrangements may be made to cover the situation. This is up to the discretion of the Post Committee in conjunction with the school authorities.

The award should be presented by a member of the American Legion. However, all plans will be made with the cooperation and consent of school officials.

The American Legion School Medal committee will be guided in the selection of those outstanding students that qualify by the sound judgment of the faculty that is with them throughout the school year.

The selected school medal recipients will not always be the best in scholarship ability. We must recognize each medal winner for all six qualities. These will be partners with the students to form a foundation for the future citizens of our country.



OBJECTIVES

The American Legion School Medal Award Program is designed to:

- Place emphasis on the development of the qualities of Courage, Honor, Leadership, Patriotism, Scholarship, and Service
- Help develop those ideals of Americanism among young people which will make them citizens of the highest caliber



To participate in this program contact the local American Legion Post below:

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SCHOOL MEDALS

*COURAGE. HONOR. LEADERSHIP. PATRIOTISM.
SCHOLARSHIP. SERVICE.*



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COURAGE

Bravery in the face of opposition and danger; determination and force to do right without public applause and regardless of personal advantage: a quality of the intellect.



HONOR

Highly developed moral character; moral excellence; strength and stability of character; high standards of conduct; devotion to duty; adherence to truth; keen sense of what is right; practice of clean speech and thoughts.



LEADERSHIP

Ability to lead and to accomplish through group action; ability to work in harmony and in unison with other leaders in accomplishing group results; desire and ability to fill the voids in the lives of others caused by timidity, illness and other handicaps.



PATRIOTISM

An ideal of loyal Americanism, religious tolerance, righteous freedom and the willingness to defend our Flag against all enemies - foreign and domestic.



SCHOLARSHIP

Attainments in school studies; quality of schoolwork reflecting the fine traits of industry; perseverance; efficiency and intelligence



SERVICE

Kindliness; unselfishness; fellowship; protection of the weak; promotion of the interests and the welfare of associates and constructive aid for the support of schools and community