



# VFW JROTC Cadet of the Year Award Nomination Form



VFW award for special recognition of outstanding achievement and exceptional leadership for Junior ROTC Cadets. This award seeks to recognize a remarkable cadet who will become a leader in their community and serve their country.

A. Criteria: Possession of individual characteristics contributing to leadership including:

1. Positive attitude toward the JROTC program
2. Outstanding military bearing and conduct both in and out of uniform
3. Personal attributes (self-confidence, initiative, flexibility, judgement).
4. Patriotism (commander or member of color guard, drill team with or without arms, flag protocol instruction team, and actively promote Americanism). Shows devotion to school, community, America. An individual(s) who practices service through repeated acts of support.
5. Courtesy (dependability, punctuality, human relations, respect, cooperation).
6. Growth potential (capable of assuming high leadership responsibilities in JROTC Unit with additional training and experience).
7. Demonstrated leadership potential, military bearing, and scholastic achievement.
  - Attainment of a grade of "B" in JROTC with an overall average of "C" in all subjects for the previous semester. Must not have a failing grade in any subject for that period of time.
  - Must be active in at least one other student co-curricular activity or club: i.e. music, athletics, student government, junior achievement, etc.
  - Must not have been a previous recipient of the award.

#### Eligibility:

Any 10th, 11th, or 12th grade student that is currently enrolled as a JROTC Cadet actively engaged in the JROTC program, and one who meets the criteria for the award.

Procedure: Award Nomination Form Submitted to VFW

Make sure that the nomination is submitted to the VFW Post before the contest deadline of **March 1st 2025**. You can submit the Nomination form by email upon the Post's approval. Entries the VFW National Headquarters directly will be returned.

Award: National VFW JROTC cadet of the year will receive a trip the National VFW convention to accept the award. Recipient will receive airfare and lodging for two nights.

VFW JROTC Cadet of the Year Nomination Form: (**Deadline to Post: 1 Mar 2025**)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cadets Name: Rank, First, MI, Last

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

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

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

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School or JROTC Program:

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JROTC Commander: Rank, Name, Phone

**To Be completed by Nominator**

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Nominator Name: First, Last

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Cadet

**Why do you feel this person deserves this award?**  
(You may use space below or attach separately)

**To Be Completed by the VFW Post:**

I certify that this JROTC Cadet has an authorized entry in our VFW Post level JROTC Cadet of the Year Competition.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Post Commander/Chairperson Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Post#

\_\_\_\_\_  
Post Address

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

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VFW Post Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
No. of participants                      No. of winners

**To Be Completed by the VFW Department Chairperson:**

I certify that the JROTC Cadet named in the previous section is the duly selected first-place winner of the JROTC Cadet of the Year Department Competition and is our sole entry into the National Judging.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Department Chairperson Signature

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email

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

Submitted to Department Adjutant on \_\_\_\_\_