

## DEPARTMENT CONVENTION AWARDS

### DISTRICT COMMANDER OF THE YEAR

Only one District Commander will be selected for District Commander of the year, But, in the event of a tie, both Commanders will receive a distinctive award.

- 100 Points For achieving All State.
- 100 Points District achieves 100% Membership by May 1, 2016.
- 50 Points District reaches 100% in Post Inspections by October 31, 2016.
- 25 Points District Commander holds a School of Instruction.
- 10 Points For each article submitted for the WV Veteran Newspaper.
- 10 Points For each District Commander monthly activity report received by 15<sup>th</sup> day of following month.
- 10 Points For each Monthly Community Service report received by 15<sup>th</sup> day of following month.

NOTE UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED, THE DEADLINE FOR ACCOMPLISHING THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS IS MAY 1, 2016.

## ALL-STATE BASIC DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS

District Commanders achieving All-State Basic Requirements will be awarded All-State Status

1. District achieves 100% membership by May 1, 2016.
2. District Quartermaster must be bonded by August 15, 2015.
3. Post inspections must be completed and submitted by November 30, 2015.
4. District forwards a Voice of Democracy entry for state judging.
5. District forwards a Patriots Pen entry for state judging.
6. District forwards an entry in all three (K-5, 6-8, 9-12 grades) National Citizenship Education Teacher Award for state judging.
7. District Commander attends Department annual School of Instruction.
8. District Commander attends all three (3) Council of Administration meetings.
9. District Commander conducts a District Commanders School of Instruction at first District meeting.

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## ALL-STATE POST SELECTION

All-State Post selection will be based on the Post meeting all basic requirements and additionally their accumulated point score (exceeding 400 points). The number of Posts awarded All-State is defined in the below table. There will be (16) All-State Posts selected.

### POST MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES AND NUMBER OF ALL-STATE WINNERS BY CATEGORY

CATEGORY I	10 - 50	1 <sup>ST</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Winner
CATEGORY II	51 - 100	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Winner
CATEGORY III	101 - 200	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Winner
CATEGORY IV	201 - 400	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , and 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Winner
CATEGORY V	401 and up	1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Winner

### ALL-STATE BASIC POST REQUIREMENTS

1. Post must achieve 100% by May 1, 2016.
2. Post must be in good standing in accordance with the National By-Laws Article II, Section 213 (Arrearages, Deficiencies and Omission) as of May 1, 2016.
3. Post must purchase at least 1,000 Poppies by April 15, 2016.
4. Post must submit four (4) Post Trustee's Quarterly Audit Reports. Reports must be received at State Headquarters within 30 days after the close of the quarter.
5. Post quartermaster must be bonded by August 31<sup>st</sup> 2016.
6. Post will submit to State Headquarters elected Delegate names in accordance with the National Manual of Procedure Article II, Section 222, at least 30 days prior to the District Convention.
7. Posts must make \$275 donations to State Headquarters for VFW Programs.

## POINT SYSTEM TO DETERMINE ALL-STATE AND POST COMMANDER OF THE YEAR WINNERS

Accumulated points are in addition to above Basic All-State requirements.

- 100 Points Post reaches 100% by May 1, 2016
- 25 Points Post Commander attends District meeting (3 each).
- 25 Points Post Quartermaster attends District meeting (3 each).
- 25 Points Post Commander attends Mid-Winter Conference.
- 25 Points Post Quartermaster attends Mid-Winter Conference.
- 25 Points Post Commander attends an annual Department School of Instruction.
- 25 Points Post Quartermaster attends an annual Department School of Instruction.
- 25 Points Post exceeds last year's Buddy Poppy purchase.
- 20 Points For each member over 100%.
- 20 Points For each new Life Member the Post recruits.
- 10 Points For each Monthly Membership Activity Report submitted to Headquarters.
- 10 Points Submit Public Servant package to District (10 pts each for Law/EMT/FF).
- 10 Points Submit Teacher of Year package to District (10 pts each for K-5/6-8/9-12).
- 10 Points Submit Scout of the Year package to Headquarters.
- 10 Points For each Community Service Report submitted to District Commander for inclusion in District Commanders Monthly Community Service Report.
- 05 Points For each new Legacy Life Member the Post recruits.
- 05 Points For each new up-grade from Bronze to Silver Legacy Life.
- 05 Points For each new up-grade from Silver to Gold Legacy Life.

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## POST COMMANDER OF THE YEAR

The top scoring Post Commander in each of the five (5) categories will be designated as a Post Commander of the year. Selection will require meeting of all Basic Post All-State Requirements in addition to the highest accumulation of points.

## AWARDS FOR THE POST COMMANDER OF THE YEAR

The top scoring Post Commander in each of the five categories will receive the Department Commanders recognition, and a distinguished commemorative for being Post Commander of the year 2015-2016.

## POST OF THE YEAR AWARD

In conjunction with the Post Commander of the Year award, the Commanders Post will receive a distinctive plaque recognizing the Post as a Post of the Year

## ALL STATE TEAM CAPTAIN

The highest scoring All-State Team Commander will be named All-State Team Captain and will receive an appropriately embroidered cap. Only one (1) Team Captain will be awarded.

## AWARDS FOR THE ALL-STATE TEAM COMMANDERS

1. An Official All-State Team Cap (for first time awardees only)
2. A beautiful All-State lapel pin with year bar.
3. Commanders coin

## AWARDS FOR THE ALL-STATE TEAM QUARTERMASTERS

1. An Official All-State Team Cap (for first time awardees only).
2. A Beautiful All-State lapel pin with year bar.
3. Commanders coin

## DUAL AWARDS

In the event a District Commander also serves as a Post Commander and achieves All-State in both positions only one cap will be provided