JROTC Program and Americanism Award

Description: JWV shares the core values of JROTC programs, which can be found in high schools throughout the country and aspire to foster in America's youth the appreciation for the ethical values and principles that underlie good citizenship. JWV continues to live its mission – to protect veteran rights, to spread Americanism, and to promote community - and we hope that working with JROTC cadets will only enhance these values in today's youth.

JWV's Americanism Medal for JROTC cadets can be awarded to deserving students if they meet the following requirements:

- 1. Remain in good academic standing amongst their peers
- 2. Maintain a leadership position in their JROTC unit, or show exemplary leadership potential within JROTC and other school activities
- 3. Show interest in continuing on a path towards a military or public service career.
- 4. Attend at least two Jewish War Veterans events or meetings if a Post is local. If time and location do not allow this, 15 community service hours can be completed instead.

To nominate a cadet for this award, please send a respectful email to Ben Kane at <u>bkane@jwv.org</u>. This email <u>must</u> contain the following or the cadet will not be considered for the award:

- 1. Cadet's name and rank
- 2. Senior Instructor and rank
- 3. Date of award ceremony
- 4. Mailing address

JWV will provide one bronze medal and certificate to each program. If you would like to give additional cadets this award, or award the gold or silver medal, the medals must be purchased online through the JWV store. We are happy to provide additional certificates.

Purpose: To foster an appreciation for the values and principles of American citizenship, encourage the next generation to serve, and facilitate partnerships between JWV Posts and JROTC programs.

Goals: To connect additional Posts with local JROTC units, and to maintain the high number of awards given to worthy cadets.

<u>Metrics</u>: In 2017, JWV National and Posts have awarded a combined 90 medals. In 2018, over 100 medals were awarded. In 2019, over 70 medals were awarded.

<u>How to Get Involved</u>: Visit <u>http://www.usarmyjrotc.com/</u> to find a local JRTOC unit.

<u>Point of Contact</u>: For medals and certificates, contact Ben Kane at <u>bkane@jwv.org</u>.

To order additional Americanism medals, contact Pat Ennis at 703-753-3733.