

# 2015-2016

## POST ALL-STATE REQUIREMENTS

This is for those Posts who want to be promoted higher than Honor Roll to be recognized with wide-spread respect, admiration and prominence on the basis of their achievements that qualify them as the best in the State and represent the Texas VFW in the general public and at the National Level as an All-State Post.

The following is a list of objectives that each Post must have credit for on May 2, 2016 to receive All-State recognition at the State Convention. Posts that receive credit after May 2, 2016 and prior to June 30, 2016 will still be designated as an All-State Post but will not receive public recognition at the State Convention due to time constraints, instead recognition will be given at State Officers Training Seminar in July 2016, recognition items if desired will have to be purchased and will be presented if available at that time.

- **MINIMUM MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS:** Each Post must complete all minimum mandatory requirements as listed on page 19.
- **COMPLETE ALL HONOR ROLL REQUIREMENTS:** Each Post must complete all HONOR ROLL requirements as listed on page 20.
- **MEMBERSHIP GOAL:** Each Post must have 100% + 1 member over of their membership ending on June 30th of 2016.
- **VOD PARTICIPATION:** Must submit student entry to District Chairman for judging by *November 15, 2015*. The *District Chairman Report (due at Dept. HQ by December 1, 2015)* will be used to determine credits and only those Posts that submit a Post level winner to District will receive credit.
- **PATRIOT'S PEN PARTICIPATION:** Must submit student entry and essay to District Chairman for judging by *November 15, 2015*. *District Chairman Report (due at Dept. HQ by December 1, 2015)* will be used to determine credits and only those Posts that submit a Post level winner to District will receive credit.
- **CITIZENSHIP TEACHER:** Must submit teacher entry and signed advancement form to District Chairman for judging by *March 5, 2016*. *District Chairman Report (due at Dept. HQ by March 20, 2016)* will be used to determine credits and only those Posts that submit a Post level winner to District will receive credit.
- **BUDDY POPPY:** Place and pay for order equal to 15 Poppies per Post member goal.
- **VETERAN PROJECT PARTICIPATION:** See page 41-46 for reporting guidelines on these Commemorative Dates as listed in Section 223 of the National By-Laws. These projects also count as Community Service as an Americanism project. Of the twenty-one (21) Veteran Project Reports (VPR) **all 21 are required for All-State**. There are timelines for project completion and reporting that are strictly enforced.
- **HOMELESS VETERANS:** To participate in this program and receive credit for Honor Roll all that is required is that the Post sponsor a donation(s) to the Homeless Veteran Fund of at least \$75.00.

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Please ensure you read and understand all the rules involved for qualification.

**Entry Form:** To be considered for public recognition at the annual State Convention as an All-State Post you must complete and submit the All-State Post Entry Form to Department *by May 5, 2016*.

To be considered for public recognition at the annual Officers Training Seminar as an All-State Post you must complete and submit the All-State Post Entry Form to Department *by July 5, 2016*.

**Point System:** The top five (5) qualifying Posts with the highest points in each Membership Category on May 2, 2016 will receive All-State recognition items at no cost. Must have a minimum of 2 points to qualify.

Posts qualifying for All-State but not finishing in the top five (5) of their respective membership Division will still be recognized as an All-State Post however, they will have the option of purchasing the All-State Recognition items for an additional fee if they so desire.

Every Post that qualifies as an All-State Post by June 30, 2016 will be eligible for All-American competition at the National level.

Points for All-State Ranking within each membership Division is based on the number of new life and new legacy members a Post has been credited for by National on the National Status sheet known as Memstats from July 1, 2015 to May 2, 2016. New Memorial Legacy Life members will count as well.

Life Member	3 Points
Bronze Legacy	2 Points
Silver Legacy	3 Points
Gold Legacy	5 Points

**Tie-Breaker:** In the unlikely event of a tie in the final Order of Parade, the Post Commander having the greatest percentage of new Legacy Life members in the District will be declared the winner.

**Exclusion Rule:** Failure to attain Post membership goal of 100% + 1 on or before stated deadlines or timely completion of any program at the Post level will disqualify a Post from competing in the All-State Post competition.



Post Membership Divisions for All-State.	
<b>Division 1</b>	300+ Life Members
<b>Division 2</b>	200—299 Life Members
<b>Division 3</b>	100—199 Life Members
<b>Division 4</b>	50—99 Life Members
<b>Division 5</b>	1-49 Life Members