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**The Following Information is to help you plan now, for what you need to do to achieve All State status, please do not wait until March 15<sup>th</sup>!!!**

**ALL STATE ELIGIBILITY:** Listed below is a reminder of the new Minimum Requirements for All State Judging.

Every Post Commander and Quartermaster who meets or exceeds the minimum standards by **Department Convention** will be considered for the title of All State Commander and Quartermaster. The Top 10% of all Posts could be eligible (Department Commander will determine if additional posts are eligible). Each member of the All-State Post Commander and Quartermaster team will receive an official "All-State Post Commanders and Quartermaster's Cap" with Lapel Pin at the Department Convention or Mid-Summer Meeting.

## **Minimum Requirements for Judging:**

Up to ten (10), Posts could be selected for All-State.

If ten Posts have not met **all of** the requirements on April 1, 2024, the remaining spots could be filled by Posts only delinquent in **the 100% membership requirement. A Post could achieve All State if they achieved 100% in membership between April 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024, if there were any of the ten slots left and if they had met all other requirements by April 1, 2024.**

100% or above in membership **is mandatory.**

Voice of Democracy. Post must advance at least one entry to District competition, is one of 3 of 10.

Patriot's Pen. Post must advance at least one entry to District competition, is one of 3 of 10.

Teacher Award. Post must have one entry from any category advanced to District competition, is one of 3 of 10.

Veterans and Military Support Program. Minimum donation of \$100.00 due by April 1, 2024, for All-State competition. **This is mandatory.**

National Home. A Post shall purchase a new life membership from the VFW National Home for Children. For All-State competition the Life membership must be purchased by April 1, 2024. **This is mandatory.**

Community Service. Posts must report 6 approved projects through the Community Service reporting tool in each of the four categories, (Veterans Service, Legislative Action, Community Activities, Youth Activities). **This is Category II. This is mandatory.**

District Meetings. The Post commander or his representative shall attend all District meetings. **This is mandatory.**

Buddy Poppies. The Post shall purchase 3 buddy poppies per member rounded to the next 100, Must be ordered by April 1, 2024 to be eligible for All-State competition. This is based off of prior year's membership. **This is Mandatory.**

Firefighter, Law Enforcement Officer, EMT; each one is one of 3 of 10.

Scouting Program. Donation of \$25.00 or a scouting entry and \$10.00 donation. Donations must be made by the Scouting deadline and is one of 3 of 10.

Three Programs of ten must be completed by April 1, 2024. Those programs are: (1) Voice of Democracy; (2) Patriot's Pen; (3) Teacher of the Year; (4) Firefighter award; (5) EMT award; (6) Law Enforcement Officer award; (7) Scouting Award; (8) Adopt-a-unit; (9) Hospital Volunteer Pin. (10)

Community Service Pin. **This is Category I.**

Post Quartermaster must be properly bonded. **This is mandatory.**

The Post's September 2023, December 2023, and March 2024, audits must be on time. Five extra points for having the March 2024, audit in or postmarked by April 10, 2024.