

Americanism Program

Fall Conference 2022

- **Patriotic Holidays**. By displaying the American flag on a patriotic holiday, you are supporting the Americanism Program's objectives. These include: Teaching proper handling, displaying, disposal and respect for the American Flag; Model respect for our flag; Encourage local businesses and Legion Family members to fly an American flag on patriotic holidays.
 - Election Day – November 8
 - Veterans Day – November 11
 - Thanksgiving Day – fourth Thursday in November
- **Americanism Essay Contest**
 - This year's essay title is: "What does patriotism mean to you?"
 - Essay contents are for students in grades 3-12, including students with special needs. There are 6 classes will be presented in each of the five divisions.
 - Winners will receive \$50 and a \$50 donation in the student's name will be made to the Children of Warriors National President's Scholarship fund
 - Deadline to be submitted to the Division Chairman by **April 15th**. Please send submissions from the Department of Arizona to jacquelinesolis24@gmail.com
- **Oratorical Contest**
 - Local, District, and Area Contests – Students will compete multiple times. Contests are progressive, will be held during the months of January and February, and completed on or before February 25, 2023. The locations of each student's contests are based on where they attend school. The dates and locations vary throughout the state. Contact the Chairman for Dates and Locations of your Contests as soon as possible.
 - Arizona Finals Contest – Will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2023. Winners will compete in the National Finals in Indianapolis, Indiana, April 21-23, 2023
 - Entry Form – Students may submit the proper entry form to participate in the program between June 1, 2022 and January 1, 2023. The form may be obtained from Department Headquarters, www.azlegion.org/programs.

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