

## Your Post and ROTC

One of the basic tenets of VFW is service. What is your Post doing to benefit the community and reach out to future service members?

Junior and Senior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) prepares our young men and women for careers of military service. As these individuals fulfill their obligations to the nation, many will serve in harm's way and become eligible for VFW membership.

As your Post works with these students today, they will know what VFW has to offer them throughout their military careers.

VFW ROTC awards give special recognition of outstanding achievement and exceptional leadership ability. These awards are available for both JROTC and ROTC programs.



**Take this opportunity  
for your Post to recognize  
outstanding achievement  
and exceptional leadership  
in your area schools.**

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## VFW ROTC AWARDS

**Recognition for those with  
outstanding achievement  
and exceptional  
leadership**



## Junior ROTC Award

### Description

The Junior ROTC award is a medal pendant with matching ribbon bar. The ribbon is 1-3/8 inches in width overall, consisting of a 1/8 inch gold stripe, a 1/8 inch purple stripe, a 7/8 inch gold stripe, a 1/8 inch purple stripe and a 1/8 inch gold stripe.

### Eligibility

- a. Any 10th, 11th, or 12th grade student who is currently enrolled as a JROTC Cadet actively engaged in the JROTC Program, and one who meets the criteria for the award.
- b. Criteria:
  1. Possession of individual characteristics contributing to leadership, including:
    - a. Positive attitude toward the Junior ROTC program.
    - b. Outstanding military bearing and conduct, both in and out of uniform.
    - c. Personal attributes (self-confidence, initiative, flexibility, and judgement).
    - d. Patriotism (commander or member of color guard, drill team with or without arms, flag protocol instruction team, and actively promote Americanism).
    - e. Courtesy (dependability, punctuality, human relations, respect, and cooperation).
    - f. Growth potential (capable of assuming high leadership responsibilities in JROTC Unit with additional training and experience).
  2. Attainment of a grade of "B" in JROTC with an overall average of "C" in all subjects for the previous semester. Must not have a failing grade in any subject for that period of time.
  3. Must be active in at least one other student co-curricular activity or club; i.e., music, athletics, student government, Junior Achievement, etc.
  4. Must not have been a previous recipient of the award.

### Administration

The recipient of the award will be selected by the JROTC Unit.

### Presentation

It is recommended that the award be presented annually at an appropriate ceremony. It is further recommended that a representative of the VFW be on hand to present the award.



## Senior ROTC Award

### Description

The Senior ROTC award is a medal pendant with matching ribbon bar. The ribbon is 1-3/8 inches in width overall, consisting of a 1/8 inch purple stripe, a 1/8 inch gold stripe, a 7/8 inch purple stripe, a 1/8 inch gold stripe and a 1/8 inch purple stripe.

### Eligibility

- a. Undergraduate student enrolled in Ms-I, -II, -III, or IV.
- b. Criteria:
  1. Be in good standing academically and militarily.
  2. Have demonstrated achievement and concentrated effort in military subjects or militarily academic subjects and/or demonstrated capability and diligence in a related activity of the ROTC program.
  3. Must not have been a previous recipient of the award.

### Administration

The recipient of the award will be selected by the SROTC Unit.

### Presentation

It is recommended that the award be presented annually at an appropriate ceremony. It is further recommended that a representative of the VFW be on hand to present the award.

## VFW ROTC Awards Ordering Procedure

These awards are further described in the VFW Store Catalog. Orders should be made well in advance of presentation if embossing of name on citation is requested with your order.

When ordering awards, please use the following numbers:

JROTC MEDAL - 1229 - Citation 4387  
ROTC MEDAL - 1226 - Citation 4386

### Mail or call order to:

VFW Store  
406 W. 34th Street  
Kansas City, MO 64111  
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