

**Department of Pennsylvania
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Youth Activity / Scout of the Year Program
2024-2025**

The VFW Scout of the Year Program is open to Scouts who are registered, active members of a Boy or Girl Scout Troop, Venturing Crew, or a Sea Scout Ship who have received the Eagle Scout Award, Girl Scout Gold Award, Venture Summit Award or Sea Scout Quartermaster Award.

There is no minimum age requirement for applicants if all other eligibility criteria has been met. The maximum age requirement for applicants is 18 years old and if an applicant reaches their 18th birthday during the nomination year, they remain eligible as long as they are still in high school at the time of the submission deadline.

Scouts should download and submit a completed VFW Scouting Scholarship form, resume of high school activities, scouting record, community service record and letters of recommendation to a local VFW Post no later than **March 1**.

Note: A Scout can enter through ONE VFW Post only.

Local VFW Posts submit their winning candidates with full entry criteria to their respective VFW Department (state) Chairperson by **April 1**. Ensure that if a District judging is taking place that entries are forwarded to the District first and that enough time is allotted to ensure that the Department still receives the entry by April 1.

From there, the Department Chairperson selects a winner and forwards the entry to the VFW National Headquarters by **May 1** for recognition.

Judging in person may not be an option now for some, and there are other options to complete your judging.

Eagle Scout Award* – One Eagle Scout is presented with the PA VFW Eagle Scout of the Year Award.

For more information, please contact VFW State Headquarters at (717) 234-7927.

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