

SAR JROTC & ROTC Contest

Purpose:

To foster the principle of the "Citizen-Soldier", exemplified by the Minutemen of Revolutionary War days

Eligibility:

- Regular Contest:
Senior High-School JROTC & ROTC Cadets
- Enhanced Contest:
Junior High-School JROTC Cadets

Judged Criteria:

Chosen by their commanding officer, plus:
Normal Contest - Outstanding Cadets
Enhanced Contest – Essay on
“How JROTC has prepared me to be a better citizen of the United States”

See online information for complete rules:

www.texassar.org/jrotc.htm
www.sar.org/rotc-jrotc-recognition-program-3

Chapter Deadline:

Normal Contest – Mid-Apr. annually
Enhanced Contest – Mid-Jan. annually

Enhanced TX Society Awards:

- 1st Place - \$3,500
- 2nd Place - \$750
- 3rd Place - \$500

Enhanced National Society Awards:

- 1st Place - \$6,000
- 2nd Place - \$3,000
- 3rd Place - \$1,000
- 4th Place - \$500
- 5th Place - \$500



SAR Eagle Scout Contest

Purpose:

To foster the principles of the Boy Scouts of America

Eligibility:

Open to all Eagle Scouts who are currently registered in an active unit and have not reached their 19th birthday during the year of application. The application year is the whole calendar year (1st Jan. to 31st Dec.). The year the Eagle was awarded is not restricted and college plans do not need to be completed in order to receive the cash scholarship.

Judged Criteria:

- Two page application form,
- Four generation chart (self plus 3),
- 500 word patriot themed essay

See online information for complete rules:

www.texassar.org/eagle.htm
www.texassar.org/perot_vid.htm
sar.org/arthur-m-berdena-king-eagle-scout-contest

Chapter Deadline:

Mid-December annually

TX Society Awards:

- 1st Place - \$2,500

National Society Awards:

- 1st Place - \$10,000
- 2nd Place - \$6,000
- 3rd Place - \$4,000
- 4th Place - \$2,000
- 6th - 10th - \$500
- 11th-15th - \$200



SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION Arlington, TX Chapter

American History teachers are encouraged to support and foster the education of the American Revolution. Various SAR youth contests and awards are available as well as a contest for the history teachers themselves. Chapter winners move to State contests. State winners move to National contests.

More History Teacher Information:

www.texassar.org/ahta.htm
sar.org/compatriots/committees/american-history-teacher-award-committee

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www.texassar.org/Arlington
(Activities > Youth Awards)

www.texassar.org
(Contests/Programs)

www.sar.org/Youth

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION Youth Awards Summary



Established in 1889, the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, SAR, is a service organization with membership lineage requirements.



The SAR is organized by regions, states, districts and chapters including international chapters.

SAR Oration Contest

Purpose:

To foster education of the American Revolution and assist Texas High-School students with college expenses

Eligibility:

Male or female contestants must be enrolled in an accredited Texas high school, including home school (freshman – senior). Contestants may enter contests yearly, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria.

Judged Criteria:

5 to 6 minute oration on most any Revolution period subject

See online information for complete rules:

<https://www.texassar.org/oration.htm>
[www.sar.org/education/
youth-contests-awards/
joseph-s-rumbaugh-historical-
oration-contest/](http://www.sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/joseph-s-rumbaugh-historical-oration-contest/)

Chapter Deadline:

Mid-December annually

TX Society Awards:

1st Place - \$2,500
2nd Place - \$750 4th Place - \$200
3rd Place - \$300 5th & 6th Place - \$100

National Society Awards:

1st Place - \$8,000
2nd Place - \$5,000
3rd Place - \$3,000 cash
All National Finalists - \$500 cash
All National Contestants - \$200 cash



SAR Essay Contest

Purpose:

To foster education of the American Revolution and assist Texas High-School students with college expenses

Eligibility:

Male or female contestants must be enrolled in an accredited Texas high school, including home school (freshman – senior). Contestants may enter contests yearly, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria

Judged Criteria:

Original 800–1200-word patriotic themed essay with title, essay, bibliography and contestant biography

Oration at least 5 minutes,
but less than 6 minutes.

See online information for complete rules:

www.texassar.org/essay.htm
[www.sar.org/education/
youth-contests-awards/
george-s-stella-m-knight-essay-contest/](http://www.sar.org/education/youth-contests-awards/george-s-stella-m-knight-essay-contest/)

Chapter Deadline:

Mid-December annually

TX Society Awards:

1st Place - \$3,500
2nd Place - \$750
3rd Place - \$500

National Society Awards:

1st Place - \$8,000
2nd Place - \$5,000
3rd Place - \$3,000 cash
All National Finalist - \$500 cash
All National Contestants - \$200 cash



SAR CAR Essay Contest

Purpose:

To assist Texas Society, Children of the American Revolution members with college expenses

Eligibility:

Contestants must be TX.S.C.A.R members in good standing for at least two years and enrolled in an accredited Texas high school, including home school (sophomore – senior); or enrolled in an accredited college or university as a freshman student. Contestants may submit applications and enter contests yearly, as long as they meet the eligibility criteria.
See online for all contest information.

Judged Criteria:

Original 500 word patriotic themed essay on the identified topic with references, bibliography

See online information for complete rules:

https://www.texassar.org/car_essay.htm

Chapter Deadline:

Mid-December annually

TX Society Awards:

1st Place - \$3,500
2nd Place - \$750 4th Place - \$300
3rd Place - \$500 5th Place - \$150



SAR Poster & Brochure Contests

Purpose:

To foster education of the American Revolution in the primary grade levels

Eligibility:

Male or female American History elementary students and must be enrolled in an accredited Texas school, including home school. Dependent on which grade year the American Revolution is taught:
Posters - 4th or 5th grade
Brochures – 6th, 7th, 8th or 9th grade

Judged Criteria:

Posters - Traditional poster board, standard size 22 x 28 inches.
Brochures – 8 ½ x 11 inch trifold size
See online for all contest information.

Chapter Deadline:

Mid-December annually

More Information:

<https://www.texassar.org/poster.htm>
<https://www.texassar.org/brochure.htm>
sar.org/
americanism-elementary-school-poster-contest
sgt-moses-adams-memorial-middle-school-brochure-contest

Chapter Awards:

1st Place - \$50
2nd Place - \$25
3rd Place - \$15

TX Society Awards:

1st Place - \$300
2nd Place - \$200 4th Place - \$100
3rd Place - \$150 5th Place - \$100

National Society Awards:

1st Place - \$300
2nd Place - \$200
3rd Place - \$100