



# National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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## **JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS COMMITTEE CONTEST GUIDELINES FOR TEACHERS/LEADERS**

**2021–2022 Theme: “The 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier:  
Rise and Shine for Duty, Honor and Patriotism”**

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution created the Junior American Citizens (JAC) Committee to promote good citizenship and appreciation of American heritage and history among every school-age child in the United States. The JAC Committee offers contests in art, creative expression, and community service. This packet contains instructions for entering JAC Contests.

### **JAC CONTEST RULES**

Contests are conducted without regard to gender, race, color, religion, or national origin. All children in pre-school through grade 12 are encouraged to participate; however, pre-school and kindergarten students may participate only in the banner and group community service project categories. Youth groups such as scout troops, C.A.R. societies, and service organizations, as well as schools, may participate in the contests. Entries are judged by grade on three levels (gifted, general and special needs) so that every child may enter the contest regardless of ability. This information is carefully guarded and no certificate or award medal will indicate a specific level. Do not submit a student photograph with the entry.

All entries except community service **must** follow the theme “**The 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier: Rise and Shine for Duty, Honor and Patriotism**” and meet the specifications of the category entered. Each entry must have a legible, fully completed entry form securely attached to the reverse side. Group entries are accepted in the banner and community service categories only. A group must have three (3) to five (5) in the banner category only. In the community service category, a group is composed of more than three (3) members. All members of a group should be listed with their individual grade.

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**Deadline for returning entries to the DAR chapter** \_\_\_\_\_



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## JUNIOR AMERICAN CITIZENS COMMITTEE CONTEST CATEGORIES

**2021-2022 Theme: “The 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier:  
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### ART CONTEST

- **Poster:** **Individual entry.** Grades 1-12 – Design a poster using the theme. **Original art work only, not from other sources.** Minimum size: 8-1/2" x 11" Maximum size 22" x 28". Poster may be laminated or placed in a protective sleeve.
- **Stamp Design:** **Individual entry.** Grades 1-12 – Design a postal stamp using the theme. **Original art work only.** Exact size: 5" x 7" drawn in the center of an 8-1/2" x 11" sheet of white paper. The paper should be white because the vast majority of envelopes are white, thus the stamp design is viewed in the way it would actually be used. Designs may be laminated or placed in a protective sleeve, but not in folders.
- **Photo Essay:** **Individual entry.** Grades 1-12 – The student will submit not more than 25 color photographs illustrating the theme. These photos must be the original photos **taken by the child.** The photos should be mounted with glue on 8-1/2" x 11" paper and bound in a three-brad composition folder. Brief captions may appear on each page. Include a title page. Remember, this is an ART contest, your pictures should tell the story.
- **Banner:** **Groups of three (3) to five (5) only, Pre-K through Grade 12.** Design an original banner using the theme. Size: Use a 1:3 ratio, to a maximum size of 16" x 48". Banners may be paper or fabric. If the banner has support rods, do not submit them. Objects attached to banners should be glued or sewn on securely. For the safety of the judges, do not use straight or safety pins.

### CREATIVE EXPRESSION CONTEST

- **Poem:** **Individual entry.** Grades 1-12 – Write an original poem, any style, of 300 words or fewer. Entries should be on 8-1/2" x 11" paper, either ruled or plain. Poems may be placed in a plastic sleeve for protection.
- **Short Story:** **Individual entry.** Grades 1-12 – Write an original short story of 500 words or fewer. The story may be written from the first person or third person point of view.\* Entries should be on 8-1/2" x 11" paper, either ruled or plain. Short stories may be placed in a plastic sleeve for protection.

\* While a short story may contain historical places and people, it is a work of fiction. It is not a report.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE CONTEST

- **Community Service:** **Individual entry or group of three (3) or more members Pre-K through Grade 12.** Groups may be mixed ages. Entries should consist of no more than 15 color photographs with a descriptive text of 500 words or fewer. Identify all photographs with captions. Entries should be placed in a three-brad composition folder.