

The American Legion
Department of New Jersey

Building # 5
171 Jersey Street
Trenton, NJ 08611

Department Americanism Coloring Contest – 2021-2022
THE TOMB OF THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER
November 2021

The coloring contest drawing of the Honoring of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the coloring cover information shall be distributed to students in the 4th & 5th grades by the various Posts throughout the state. Each school shall also receive the Honoring of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier rules bulletin. The coloring of the picture must be done from the students own hands and the coloring of the picture will be attested to by the student's teacher. **This is a Patriotic Coloring Contest and will be judged at all levels of accuracy and neatness. Students can not alter or add additional artwork to the coloring picture.**

Students may use any method of coloring they desire to complete the picture. Accepted methods of coloring include: Crayons, Coloring Pencils, Felt tip or Color Pens or Water Color Paint. Whatever method the student chooses they need to make sure to stay within the line of the area being colored. No three-dimension coloring material is to be applied.

On the back side of the drawing is a 2021-22 coloring contest cover information form. This must be completed in full: (1) The Student's Name, (2) Age, (3) Grade, (4) Teacher's Name, (5) School Name, (6) School Address (7) School Phone #, (8-9) Sponsoring Post and Address, (10-11) Reserved for the County's first place winner only: Date, County, County's Americanism Chair or Commander. If you have permission to list your County's first place winner's mailing contact info, please do so at the bottom of this form. If permission is not granted, Department winner will contact the first place winner's school instead.

County Americanism Chairmen can set by their own deadlines for Posts to submit their entries for judging. Posts should advise schools of their judging deadlines and arrange for a pick-up date from the school or name and address if mailed to the Post. The Posts will judge their own contest and choose their winners. The First Place will be turned over to the respective County Americanism Chairman. The County will judge their own contest and judge their winners. Only the County's First Place Winner will be turned over to the Department Americanism Committee.

We further urge an all out effort to have the contest in all schools in the state, both public and private, chartered, as well having it available for home schooled students.

The Department First Place winner will receive an invite to the Department Convention in Wildwood, NJ June 9, 2022 and receive the Gold Americanism Medal and a check for \$300. The Second Place winner (Silver Medal and a check for \$200) and the Third Place winner (Bronze medal and a check for \$100) will receive their awards at the sponsoring Posts/County meeting.

**** Only one County Coloring Contest winner can be entered in the Department Judging. If more than one entry from the County and that County's Americanism Chair is not at Dept. Judging, then that County will be disqualified from the contest. All first place county coloring contest submissions must have the County Americanism Chairman or Commander's signature on the Coloring Contest information sheet. ****

All entries submitted by the County Americanism Chairman via mail must be received at Department no later March 18, 2022. Hand delivered entries will be received ½ hour before official start time of Dept Judging to be held at Dept. headquarters conference room (171 Jersey Street, Bldg. %, Trenton) on March 26, 2022 at 10 am.