



The Ted Leszkiewicz  
AMVETS Against Drug and  
Alcohol Abuse  
(AADAA Program)

**Student Information**

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade Category

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle type of work submitted:                  Poster                  Essay (story or poem)

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Telephone Number: (\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_

**Entries must be submitted to the designated department official. This section must be completed and signed by the department AADAA officer or executive director. ONLY 1<sup>st</sup> place post/department entries can be submitted to National Headquarters. A letter from the appropriate post/department official must state, "the attached entries are the official post or department entries."**

The attached is submitted for entry by:

AMVETS Department/Post or Ladies Auxiliary \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Date



## CONTEST CATEGORIES

<u>GRADES</u>	<u>CONTEST MEDIA</u>
K-2	POSTER
3-5	POSTER
6-8	STORY OR POEM
9-12	STORY OF POEM

## NATIONAL AWARDS – VISA GIFT CARDS

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>1<sup>ST</sup></u>	<u>2<sup>ND</sup></u>	<u>3<sup>RD</sup></u>
K-2	\$75	\$50	\$25
3-5	\$100	\$75	\$50
6-8	\$125	\$75	\$50
9-12	\$200	\$75	\$50

## POSTER GUIDELINES

- Entries must be 9" x 12" using construction paper or poster board.
- Entries must be drawn freehand using pen, pencil, crayon, paint, or any combination of these media. A straight edge may also be used to aid in drawing a straight line.
- The student's description of the poster must be written on the back of the poster in 50 words or less. Descriptions that are attached to the back of the poster will also be accepted.

## ESSAY/POEM GUIDELINES

- All Stories/poems may be written in blue ink, typed, or produced on a computer.
- All students must address the theme (theme changes annually, see enclosed flyer or contact you local AMVETS post).
- Essays submitted by 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students must be 250 words or less; 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade students must be 350 words or less.

## GENERAL GUIDELINES

- Judges will take into consideration adherence to the theme, originality, literary construction, and legibility.

## Deadline:

All national entries must be received by July 1. Local and state deadlines may vary.

**AMVETS has partnered with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Center for Substance Abuse Prevention. ([www.samhsa.gov](http://www.samhsa.gov))**

### Themes:

2007-2008 Users Are Losers  
2008-2009 Be A Winner, Be Drug Free  
2009-2010 There is No Use for Drug Abuse  
2010-2011 Drugs Come in All Shapes & Sizes  
2011-2012 Be Smart, Don't Start  
2012-2013 Stop Abuse...Don't Use

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Doing our part . . . . .

**To help keep  
Youth Drug Free**

**"Every child in America is at risk of using drugs, regardless of race, ethnicity, or economic status" – National Survey of American Attitudes on Substance Abuse II**