

Some good gifts for teachers Appreciation Week – May 6-10, 2024

1. Brownie Mix in Jar. Give the gift of a quick dessert by filling jars with brownie ingredients. ...
2. Gumball Jar. Fill customized glass jars with colorful gumballs and other sweet treats as an afternoon pick me up.
3. Custom Necklace. ...
4. Teacher Supplies. ...
5. Personalized Candles. ...
6. Chocolate Chip Cookies. ...
7. Festive Socks. ...
8. Heart Themed Jar. ...
9. Monthly Planners. ...
10. Desk Caddies. ...

Are you participating in Give 10 to Education?

Don't forget to think outside the box. Instead of the standard pen, pencils, paper, etc. how about things like books for school and city libraries, clothing, or volunteering to mentor reading or maybe even math; you could also chaperone a field trip and/or help on playground during recess. *What you do for Teacher Appreciation Week could be counted under Give 10 program.*

Big thank you goes out to those Units who reached out and followed up on the scholarship information distributed last fall. I received a total of 39 applications for the American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships to be awarded in the 2023-24 Term. *That's 2 more than last year 😊* Of the Department Scholarships –

- 2 application was received for the Susan Burdett Scholarship;
- 4 applications were received for the Marguerite McAlpin Memorial Scholarship;
- 2 applications were received for the Florence Lemcke Memorial Scholarship;
- 5 applications were received for the Department Gift Scholarship.

We award 1 of each of the Department Scholarships with exception of Department Gift Scholarship, which is 2 (1 to an applicant and 1 to the student we selected as candidate for the Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship (COW Ntl Pres. Scholarship).

National Staff received and sent to me for judging:

- 18 applications for the COW National Presidents' Scholarship
- 1 application for Junior Member Loyalty Scholarship
- 6 applications for Non-Traditional Scholarship

and 1 Spirit of Youth for Junior Members Scholarship application was received from a Unit who had received it from the student and followed procedure for certifying and sending on to Dept for judging.

Selections made on the National Scholarships and sent into the Western Division Education Chairman for judging on the National Level.

By the time you read this, all letters of congratulation as well as letters to those not selected have been sent to each of the applicants (with copy to the Certifying Unit). We thank all who participated and wish all of the students the best of luck in furthering their education in their career choice. Names of Dept. Winners and National Selections (maybe winners too) will be in my End of Year Report given at Dept Convention and put in Book of Reports.

Please contact me with any questions or comments.

Yours in service & friendship for God & Country,
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