



Educational Programs

DAR Good Citizens Awards and Scholarship Contest

The DAR Good Citizens Award and Scholarship Contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship.

This award recognizes and rewards individuals who possess good citizenship qualities of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism in their homes, schools and communities. These students are selected by their teachers and peers because they demonstrate these qualities to an outstanding degree.

- This program is only open to high school seniors whose schools are accredited by their state board of education.
- Only one student per year may be honored as a school's DAR Good Citizen.
- United States citizenship is not required.
- Additional rules and guidelines can be acquired by contacting your local DAR chapter.

Once a student is chosen as the DAR Good Citizen the student is invited to participate in the scholarship portion of the program. This consists of a personal statement and an essay. Student participation in the scholarship portion of the program is optional.

For additional information about the DAR Good Citizen programs: If you are an educator, please contact your local DAR chapter or visit DAR.org to find a local chapter. If you are a parent or student, please contact your school for information.

The Daughters of the American Revolution is a non-profit, non-political volunteer women's service organization. DAR members are dedicated to promoting historic preservation, education and patriotism in communities across the nation. All students are invited to participate and learn more about the educational programs the DAR offers. Educators, parents and students are encouraged to contact their local DAR chapters for more detailed information on these programs.

For more information please contact:

DAR Chapter: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

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DAR GOOD CITIZENS PROGRAM AND SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The program is open to all senior class students enrolled in accredited public or private secondary schools in good standing with their state boards of education. United States citizenship is not required. The student selected as the school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of:

- Dependability:** truthfulness, loyalty, punctuality and being worthy of trust
Service: cooperation, courtesy, and contributing to the welfare of others
Leadership: personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility, ability to inspire others, and a decision-maker
Patriotism: devotion to and support of one's country, supporting service members and veterans, working for causes that make one's community stronger, and appreciating the cultural and historic importance of America's unique population

A *suggested* procedure for selecting a DAR Good Citizen is for the faculty to choose three seniors who have demonstrated, in an outstanding way, these qualities of a good citizen. From these three students, the senior class selects one student. Each school may, however, use a method of its own choice. **Only one student per year may be honored as a school's DAR Good Citizen.** Each school's DAR Good Citizen receives a DAR Good Citizen pin, certificate and wallet recognition card. This student is eligible, if he/she wishes, to enter the DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest. (If not included, the contest forms and instructions may be obtained from the contact person listed below.) The DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest consists of two parts.

Part I consists of the student describing how they have manifested the qualities of a good citizen. This part may be completed at home and is to be submitted together with a **grade transcript** and **two letters of recommendation**.

Part II is a timed essay to be administered under the supervision of a faculty or DAR member. It must be completed at one sitting, within a two-hour time limit, and without assistance or reference materials. Each contest entry is evaluated by independent, non-DAR judges. The winning entry is advanced through state, divisional and national levels of judging.

DAR Good Citizens who enter the scholarship contest are eligible for the awards beyond the chapter level. Each state winner receives an award in the amount of at least \$250 and a special state DAR Good Citizens pin and certificate. Each of the sixteen (16) division (multi-state groups) winners will receive a cash award in the amount of \$500. Two national winners will be invited to Washington, DC to attend Continental Congress and will be awarded **\$5,000 scholarships**, inscribed silver bowls and certificates.

DAR CONTACT

- The opportunity to participate in the DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is extended and sponsored by _____ Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.
- For further information, please contact the DAR Chapter Good Citizens committee chair _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____
or the DAR chapter regent _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____

Completed DAR Good Citizen entry due to the local DAR chapter by _____

Submit ALL DAR Good Citizen award / scholarship contest entry papers ONLY to the DAR chapter Good Citizens Committee chair. Please retain copies of all pages of the entry before submitting to the local DAR chapter contact person.



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STUDENT COVER SHEET

**This cover sheet must be forwarded to the local sponsoring DAR chapter
for your school's DAR Good Citizen winner.**

Please **TYPE** or **PRINT** all information and be sure to complete all blanks.

RETURN FORM AND COMPLETED MATERIALS TO:

Sponsoring DAR chapter/chapter code _____ **Deadline** _____

Contact person _____ Phone _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

STUDENT INFORMATION:

Full name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Parents or guardians _____

Parent e-mail _____ Parent phone _____

Signature of student _____

Signature of parent/guardian _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

School _____ E-mail _____

Address _____

School or faculty contact _____ Phone _____

If student is participating in scholarship contest:

Scholarship essay administered by _____ Title _____

THE FOLLOWING IS TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

I, _____, have known _____ for

(Print your name)

(Print student's name)

_____ in my capacity as _____

(Length of time)

(Relationship to student)

and that to my personal knowledge he/she has demonstrated the qualities of a Good Citizen as set forth in your criteria and, in my opinion, is most deserving of recognition by your organization. If our DAR Good Citizen competed in the scholarship portion of the contest, I have reviewed the information the student is submitting to you and have found it to be accurate and entirely consistent with our records.

Signature _____

Title _____

E-mail Address _____

Address _____

Phone _____