## 2024 –2025 Department of Missouri Post All State Requirements

## **Ongoing Goals:**

- 1. Your Post must reach 101% of last year's July 1<sup>st</sup> membership no later than June 30, 2025.
- 2. All Trustees' Reports of Audit reports must be submitted to the State Quartermaster by the designated date. Postmarks do not count as each Post has 30 days to conduct and mail, fax, or email the completed Audit Report to: **State Quartermaster**, **3401 Knipp Drive**, **Jefferson City**, **Mo. 65109**, **FAX**: **573-636-2664 or email**: **adj@movfw.org**; **hqangela@movfw.org**.

Any Post making All-State by April 30, 2025 will be recognized at the State Convention in June, all others after that will be recognized at the Fall Convention.

## **Inspection Related Goals:**

- 3. Post Quartermaster must be bonded in accordance with Section 703 of the National By-Laws.
- 4. Your Post must have in their possession the most currently published copy of the VFW Podium Edition Congressional Charter By-Laws Manual of Procedure Ritual Manual.
- 5. Your Post must be incorporated in accordance with National By-Laws, Section 708 and must obtain proper liability coverage according to the National By-Laws, Section 709. Post must have current Certificate of Insurance and sent to State Headquarters. (If applicable).
- 6. Your Post must have the Post Website, or any other social media sites (i.e., Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn) updated with the names and contact information of its current Commander, Quartermaster, and Post Service Officer.
- 7. The Post must have their email set up through the Department designated email (movfw.org).

#### **Event Specific Goals:**

- 8. The Post Commander **must** have attended a District or Department School of Instruction and all District meetings **-OR-** have a designated Representative at all District meetings. Only the State Commander can excuse the absence of an entire Post from a District meeting. Excusal must be requested prior to the meeting.
- 9. Your Post must have three (3) POW-MIA awareness activities at or outside of the Post home. The following are all ways to meet these All-State criteria:
  - a. Donate a POW flag to a school or business and hold a short program in commemoration;
  - b. Present the POW-MIA Honor Table program at a school, business or civic event;
  - c. Participate in a local parade with the Post colors and POW-MIA flag;
  - d. Display the POW-MIA flag at a public event.

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10. Your Post must hold three (3) Veteran Service Officer events. These events must be reported using the online reporting system. Posts can hold events together; however, representatives from each Post must be present at the event.

To meet this criteria, it **MUST** be advertised that a Veteran Service Information officer is present, and entered on your online report.

- 11. Your Post must hold three (3) Recruiting events. Activity can be the following:
  - a. Off Site (Public Forum), set up a booth/table at a community event
  - b. Cold Canvas (Stores, ECT.), you see someone with a veteran hat, shirt and ask to join.
  - c. Phone Calling (Member at Large/Membership Rosters) cold call in your community.
  - d. Face to Face Interview with potential members only counts for State, do not submit to National.
- 12. Your Post must have three (3) Legislative Activities.
  - a. State, attend MAVO meetings, Rallies at the Capitol, talk to your local Representative about veteran issues.
  - b. National, have someone sign up for Action Corps and responds to alerts. Contact your US Senators and Representatives about Veterans issues.
  - c. Other, Contact your local municipality representative about Veterans issues.
- 13. Your Post must have three (3) Americanism activities, the following are activities to meet that criteria:
  - a. Get Out to Vote Program
  - b. Color Guard Activities
  - c. Honor Guard Activities
  - d. Flag Disposal Ceremony
  - e. Participate or Conduct Flag Ceremony
  - f. Present Flag Education Program

- g. Veterans Day
- h. Memorial Day
- i. Pearl Harbor Day
- j. Loyalty Day
- k. 911 Remembrance Day
- 1. Other
- 14. Post must have at least three (3) approved events in all categories listed on the Community Activity Report. These reports must be submitted on line, and must include your name and phone number.

The following are all ways to meet this criteria:

- a. Buddy Poppy Drive
- b. Tree Planting Program
- c. Community Blood Drive
- d. Community CPR Class
- e. Recycle Program
- f. Adopt a Highway Program
- g. Youth or Hunter Safety Program
- h. Drug Awareness Program
- i. Community Emergency Assistance
- j. Volunteer in Schools and Community

- k. Participate in Patriot's Pen
- 1. Participate in Voice of Democracy
- m. Participate in Teacher Entry
- n. Sponsor Youth Contests/Special Events
- o. Achievement Awards Community
- p. Recognize Public Employees
- q. Donate Hall to Non Profit Organization
- r. Sport/Athletic Sponsorship
- s. Scouting Organization Support

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- 15. Your Post must have three (3) Veterans Assistance, the following will meet that criteria:
  - a. Donate to Veterans Service Officer Fund
- d. Conduct Military Funerals

b. Assist Veterans and their Families

e. other

c. Loaning of Hospital Type Equipment

#### **FUND RAISING GOALS:**

16. Your Post must make a donation to the Veterans Service Officer Program, Minimum of \$3.00 per member required for All-State. The check goes to the following:

Department Quartermaster, 3401 Knipp Drive, Jefferson City, MO. 65109. Notate in the memo field on the check, "Missouri Veterans Service Officer Program Donation." must be received no later than April 30, 2025.

- 17. Your Post must sponsor both school programs: Voice of Democracy, and Patriot Pen award. Each must be entered to the District for judging.
- 18. Your Post must make a donation to the Veteran and Military Support (i.e., Military Assistance Program, Operation Uplink, or Unmet Needs, minimum \$125.00 to make All-American.

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

\*\*\*\* VMS donations will only be handled through the dashboard moving forward. Attached to email is the explanation of the NEW donation page. All posts have to do is click on the VMS donation tab on the dashboard to donate. The link will point them to OMS. **No more checks**. Credit will be given automatically daily on the dashboard. No more weekly updates

## \*\*\*DO NOT SEND TO STATE HEADQUARTERS. \*\*\*\*\*\*

19. Your Post must order 5 poppies per 1 member and it's a minimum of 500.

See chart on page 60 of handbook. Examples of a Poppy Drive Below:

Set up a table at Wal-Mart, Local Grocery Stores, if you have bingo at your post you can set up a Container there for donations, or other fundraising events.

20. Your Post must have Liability/Dram Insurance FYI: Dram is only if you have a bar/canteen. and it is required that a **Certificate of Liability (see forms in section)** be sent to Department by April 30, 2025.

Dept of MO VFW EMAIL: adj@movfw.org; hqangela@movfw.org
3401 Knipp Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65109

(NEW) 21. Each Post must have a representative attend at least (1) of the Counsel of Administration meetings. The post representative will report to their District commander just prior to the meeting and the District Commanders will report to the Adjutant. Department Staff, Counsel members and Department chairperson's do not count.

See last page of handbook for dates/times/location, this is also posted in the General Orders.

# 2024—2025 Department of Missouri District All-State Program

The 2024-2025 All-State District Commander program is meant to ensure that posts are Participating in VFW programs and realizing the VFW's mission.

All District Commanders are eligible to qualify.

All requirements must be met by April 30, 2025 to qualify, except for membership.

A District Commander who exhibits exemplary performance may be chosen as Captain at the Department commander's discretion.

## The performance requirements for All-State District Commander are as follows:

- 1. The District must be at 100% or better in member percentage by June 30, 2025.
- 2. The Commander must attend a Department School of Instructions.
- 3. The Commander must hold a District School of Instruction.
- 4. All District Trustees Reports must be submitted to Department within 30 days following the end of the observed quarter.
- 5. District meeting reports must be submitted to Department within 30 days after the held meeting.
- 6. The Commander must complete all Post visits and submit corresponding reports by December 31, 2024.
- 7. The District must submit an entry to Department Chairperson for Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen, (**Eric Sullivan**) and Teacher/Americanism (**James Nail**) of the December 15, 2024 for judging. The Chairperson's address's are found in the **Department roster**.
- 8. The District must make a donation of a minimum \$100 to the National Veterans and Military support Program (VMS). VMS donations will only be handled through the dashboard moving forward. Attached to email is the explanation of the NEW donation page. All posts have to do is click on the VMS donation tab on the dashboard to donate. The link will point them to OMS. No more checks. Credit will be given automatically daily on the dashboard. No more weekly updates.
- 9. The District must have 100% of its posts report in a minimum of three (3) community involvement, Americanism, Veterans Service, POW/MIA, VSO, Legislative, and Recruiting.
- 10. All posts within a District must have an active, updated website.
- 11. The District must have a National Home Chairperson and must have at least one of it's members go on the National Home Trip.
- 12. The Commander must designate a District recruiter. The recruiter's name **MUST** be submitted to the Department recruiter.

(NEW) 13. The District Commander **MUST** recruit at least one (1) new member prior to December 31, 2024. *Leaders lead from the front and lead by example.* 

# DEPARTMENT AWARDS FOR ALL-STATE POSTS & DISTRICTS

Post and District ALL-STATE Awards are a reflection of exemplary Post and District performance and a reflection of exceptional leadership and dedication to VFW programs and membership initiatives. To honor this success, Department will provide the following awards.

- 1. All Post Commanders and Quartermasters achieving 100% in membership by December 31, 2024 will receive a 100% Membership Shirt.
- 2. All Post Commanders who achieve ALL-STATE will receive an ALL-STATE Commanders Cover. All Post Quartermasters who achieve ALL-STATE will receive an ALL-STATE Quartermasters Cover. Commanders or Quartermasters may receive a \$75.00 Gift certificate from the National Supply store in lieu of an All-State Cover.
- 3. The Post will receive a distinctive ALL STATE plaque for the Post Home to recognize their Post success.
- 4. The ALL-STATE District Commander and Quartermaster will receive an ALL-STATE Commander Cover.
- 5. All District Commanders achieving 100% in membership by December 31, 2024 will receive a 100% Membership Shirt and a very Special Award from the Department Commander.