



**Paralyzed Veterans of America  
2024 Veterans Day Poster and Poem Contest**

Dear Educator:

Paralyzed Veterans of America Keystone Chapter is pleased to announce the 2024 Veterans Day Poster and Poem Contest. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for children to creatively express gratitude for our nation's heroes in their own imaginative way.

The theme for this year's contest is: *"#AccessibilityForAll."* Drawing from personal experiences with a Veteran, or from stories or lessons learned in school or through media, students should draw a poster or write a poem that relates to the theme and show or tell why today's world should be more accessible and safer for Veterans and others who use wheelchairs. ***Posters must include the visual/image of a wheelchair and poems must reference the importance of a wheelchair.***

Winners will be awarded:

- Each participant will receive a certificate of participation.
- Grade category winners will be awarded a plaque and a \$50 gift card of their choice of stores.
- Grand prize winners will be awarded a plaque and a \$50 gift card of their choice of stores.

The poster contest is open to students in first (1<sup>st</sup>) through fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) grades.

The poem contest is open to students in fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) through eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) grades.

Public, private, and home-schooled students living in the United States in first through eighth grades are eligible to enter. Civic organizations, scout troops and religious organizations that work with children may also submit entries.

**All entries for the Veterans Day Poster and Poem Contest must be received via email: [Lynnette.nette@gmail.com](mailto:Lynnette.nette@gmail.com) or regular U.S. Mail to: Lynnette Ferry, 3506 Bird Drive, Erie, PA 16510, by Friday, October 18, 2024, at 5:00 P.M.**

Prize winners will be determined by a panel vote by three college professors from Erie, PA.

Winners in both the poster and poem categories should be announced on Friday, November 8, 2024.

Please spread the word about our Veterans Day Poster and Poem Contest to any Boy and Girl Scout troops, Boys and Girls Clubs, church groups, families, friends, and others who would be interested in participating.

Complete contest rules and submission guidelines are available at <https://www.kpva.org>.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information or entry forms. We look forward to seeing the creativity of your students.

Thank you,

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