



Knights of Columbus

**District of Louisiana
Fourth Degree
Patriotic Program
2023-2024**

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PATRIOTIC PROGRAM PACKET
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GUIDELINES FOR PATRIOTIC ESSAY CONTEST

Essay information should be given to the schools by the **Assembly Patriotic Chairman**. This should be done, as early as possible, at the beginning of the school year. Experience has shown that contact with the teacher, at the beginning of the school year, will allow the project to be placed on the classroom agenda. It is best if you can have a personal meeting with the teachers. A follow up letter should be sent in early November to jog the memory of the teacher.

Also, if you could track down Home Schooled seventh and eighth graders, then do so. This is one area we have neglected, and we should consider their essays, if they choose to participate. The same criteria apply to them as well.

All essays should be in the hands of the **Assembly Patriotic Chairman** by **January 1, 2024**. The essays should be judged prior to **January 20, 2024**. Using the **Assembly Level Winner Form**, the winning essay should be forwarded to the **Diocesan Coordinator** no later than **February 1, 2024**. **Do not send the Assembly winner to the District Patriotic Chairman.**

Using the **Diocesan Level Winner Form**, the winning essay from each Diocese should be forwarded to the **District Patriotic Chairman** no later than **March 1, 2024**. The **District Patriotic Chairman** will have the Diocesan winning essays judged by **March 31, 2024**.

The **District Patriotic Chairman** will send a letter and check to each **Diocesan Coordinator** for presentation to the Diocesan winner at an appropriate function. The District winner will receive a letter and check at an Exemplification Banquet. All presentations should be completed by **May 1, 2023** at which time the program will end.

Side Note: If you have any questions concerning anything related to the Patriotic Program, please contact District Patriotic Chairman Mark Bascle. His information is the very last thing in this packet. DO NOT CONTACT THE DISTRICT MASTER!

ASSEMBLY LETTERHEAD

Dear Principal _____,

The District of Louisiana, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus (the patriotic degree of the Order) annually sponsors a Patriotic Essay Contest. The contest is open to promote and strengthen the patriotic spirit in our youth. Also, it gets them thinking and learning a little about our rich heritage.

This year's theme is "**Do you think America still needs Patriots in today's society?**" The double-spaced essay can be either typed or legibly written. It must contain no fewer than 500 words or more than 750 words. The provided Patriotic Essay Entry Form shall be completed and attached to each essay. The deadline to submit the completed essay to the Assembly Patriotic Chairman shall be **January 1, 2024**. Essay winners shall receive monetary awards. The Assembly winner shall receive \$_____. The Diocesan winner will be presented a check for **\$200.00** and the District winner will receive a check for **\$500.00**. Therefore, we would like to urge you to encourage your teachers to promote this very worthwhile contest.

The Assembly winner will be selected by **January 20, 2024**. The Diocesan winner will be selected by **March 1, 2024** and the District winner will be selected by **March 31, 2024**. The winners will be notified shortly after their selection so that arrangements can be made for the presentation at an appropriate function.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your participation and cooperation in the Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree Patriotic Program.

Very Respectfully,

S/K Mark K Bascle
LA District Patriotic Chairman

ASSEMBLY LETTERHEAD

Dear Mr. /Ms. _____

The District of Louisiana, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus invites your class to participate in our annual Patriotic Essay Contest. This contest is open to **all** seventh and eighth grade students in the state. We know that most schools are inundated with requests such as this; however, our intention is to provoke some positive thinking on the part of your students about **patriotism** and what it means to them. We realize that until recently the subject of **patriotism** has not been overly discussed or promoted with our youth. We firmly believe that **patriotism** should be brought to the attention of the students as often as possible. We strive to stimulate their minds, so they will be **patriotically** orientated and to think of all the good things we have in this great country.

This year's theme is "**Do you think America still needs Patriots in today's society?**" A Double-spaced essay can be either typed or legibly written. It must contain no fewer than **500 words** or more than **750 words**. The provided Patriotic Essay Entry Form needs to be completed and attached to each essay. The **deadline** to turn the completed essays back to the Assembly Patriotic Chairman will be **January 1, 2024**. To ensure no partiality in judging, there shall be no mention of any of this information anywhere else in the essay. On receipt of these essays, the cover sheet shall be removed, and the essay will be assigned a number. This number will be recorded and will remain with the essay until the final judging.

Grading will be based on a **100-point system** and will be broken down as follows: **Narrative's strict adherence to subject matter and how well the essay is written (50) points / Style (20) points** including originality, creativity, and imagination / **Grammar (10) Points** With attention to structuring of sentences and paragraphs, / **Overall (20) points** [Is the narrative consistent with the writer's age, education and observed ability, in short, "is this his/her own product?"]

To try and stimulate participation in this program, winners will receive monetary awards for their efforts. The **Assembly winner** will receive \$_____. The **Diocesan winner** will be presented a check for **\$200.00** and the **District winner** will receive a check for **\$500.00**.

The **Assembly winner** will be selected by **January 20, 2024**, the **Diocesan winner** by **March 1, 2024** and the **District winner** by **March 31, 2024**. Essay winners, their teachers and school will be notified shortly after their selection so that arrangements can be made for the presentation at an appropriate function.

We appreciate your time and request distribution to the students so that they may participate in our Patriotic Program. Arrangements will be made to collect the completed essays. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at _____.

Very Respectfully,
Assembly Patriotic Chairman

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ESSAY CONTEST PURPOSE, RULES, JUDGING & PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

THEME FOR 2023-2024

“Do you think America still needs Patriots in today’s society?”

PURPOSE:

The youth of today have not been subjected for the most part to a patriotic lifestyle. Either their parents are young enough to have not been in the wars that have taken place and therefore have not had the burning spot in their heart for the promotion of patriotism or the schools have become so socialized that patriotism is not an issue.

However, we have learned that with a bit of prodding of their mind while in their formative years, we can light a fire quite easily. Most youth are looking for a mentor, whether a parent, an athlete or whomever. We, the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, recommend a study of the history of this great country and the heroes that we have.

We wish to stimulate the youth of our state into thinking and learning about our heritage and patriotism. To accomplish this, we have devised an essay contest whereby students can earn while they learn.

This program is both challenging and thought provoking for the students of the seventh and eighth grades to encourage patriotism and self-expression of their personal thoughts and beliefs.

RULES:

1. All public, private, and parochial schools, as well as home schooled students, in the state are eligible.
2. Contest is open to **all** seventh and eighth students.
3. Principals, teachers and or guidance counselors should be contacted as soon as possible to get program initiated within the school year, so the teachers can include the contest in their lesson plans.
4. Criteria for the essay:
 - The double-spaced essay can be either typed or legibly written.
 - Essay must be neatly done to show the author’s pride in their work.
 - It must contain no fewer than **500 words** or more than **750 words**.
 - The provided Patriotic Essay Entry Form needs to be completed and attached to each essay.
5. **Time frames are given in “Guidelines for Patriotic Essay Contest”.**
6. Awards:
 - Assembly determines the monetary amount for the Assembly winner.
 - Diocesan winner will be awarded **\$200.00**.
 - District winner will be awarded **\$500.00**.
7. Report forms are enclosed and *must* be adhered to.

JUDGING:

1. Assembly Level:

- Assembly members together with any educators or clergy who are available should do the judging. At least five members are recommended.
- The provided Essay Report Form (Assembly Level Winner) *must* be used to transmit the winner's essay to the Diocesan Coordinator. (Program Page 9)
- On receipt of these essays, the cover sheet shall be removed, and the essay will be assigned a number. This number will be recorded and will remain with the essay until the final judging.
- Grading will be based on a **100 point system** and will be broken down as follow: **Narrative's strict adherence to subject matter and well is essay written (50 points) / Style:** including originality, creativity and imagination **(20 Points/ Grammar** with particular attention to the structure of sentence and paragraph **(10 points / Overall (20 points)**[Is the narrative consistent with the writers age, education and observed ability, in short, " is this his/her own product?"]

2. Diocesan Level:

- It is recommended the essays be judged by at least two professionals such as teachers and members of the clergy as well as three Sir Knights.
- The provided Essay Report Form (Diocesan Level Winner) *must* be used to transmit the winner's essay to the District Patriotic Chairman. (Program Page 10)
- In essence the District Coordinator should receive only eight essays to judge.

3. District Level:

- The District Patriotic Chairman *will not* be a judge at this level.
- The judges shall consist of former Masters, members of the clergy and educators. There will be no less than five judges at this level.
- As soon as the winner is determined, the District Chairman will submit the names of the seven diocesan winners as well as the name of the district winner to the Master.
- All pertinent information will be forwarded with this list.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS:

1. Assembly:

- Each Assembly should attempt to reward and recognize the winner with either a cash award and a plaque or certificate.
- It is strongly recommended that the presentation be done at the school because of the publicity it will generate. If the winner is home schooled, then the presentation at your Assembly Banquet might be more appropriate.
- Publicity is of the utmost importance, as it will aid in promoting the contest.

2. Diocesan:

- The Diocesan Coordinator should be the presenter of the award.
- The award should be given either at an Assembly Banquet or school function.

3. District:

- The **District Patriotic Chairman** will present the award at an Exemplification Banquet or otherwise determined meeting where the significance of the award can have the most impact, especially on the new Fourth Degree Members.

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PATRIOTIC ESSAY ENTRY FORM

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

NAME: _____ BOY OR GIRL: _____

AGE: _____ GRADE: _____ PHONE NO: _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____ CITY: _____

TEACHER'S NAME: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

ASSEMBLY NAME: _____ NUMBER: _____

CITY: _____

ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN'S NAME: _____

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

NAVIGATOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

NOTE: A copy of this form must be attached to each entry. All entries must be forwarded to the Assembly Patriotic Chairman no later than January 1, 2024.

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ESSAY REPORT FORM

ASSEMBLY LEVEL WINNER

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

NAME: _____ BOY OR GIRL: _____

AGE: _____ GRADE: _____ PHONE NO: _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____ CITY: _____

TEACHER'S NAME: _____

PARENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

ASSEMBLY NAME: _____ NUMBER: _____

CITY: _____

ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN'S NAME: _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF ESSAYS RECEIVED: _____ NUMBER OF SCHOOLS: _____

TYPE OF ASSEMBLY AWARD PRESENTED: _____

CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

NAVIGATOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

WE WANT AND NEED YOUR COMMENTS ABOUT THE ESSAY PROGRAM. PLEASE ENTER THEM BELOW OR USE A SEPARATE SHEET.

NOTE: This form must be filled out in its entirety and forwarded to the Diocesan Coordinator with the winning essay by February 1, 2024.

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ESSAY REPORT FORM

DIOCESAN LEVEL WINNER

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

NAME: _____ BOY OR GIRL: _____

AGE: _____ GRADE: _____ PHONE NO: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING: _____ CITY: _____

TEACHER'S NAME: _____

ASSEMBLY NAME: _____ NUMBER: _____

CITY: _____

DIOCESAN CHAIRMAN'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

WE WANT AND NEED YOUR COMMENTS ABOUT THE ESSAY PROGRAM. PLEASE ENTER THEM BELOW OR USE A SEPARATE SHEET.

TOTAL NUMBER OF ESSAYS RECEIVED: _____ NUMBER OF SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING: _____

LIST ASSEMBLIES BY NUMBER ON THOSE SUBMITTING ESSAYS:

NOTE: This form must be filled out in its entirety and forwarded to the District Patriotic Chairman with the winning essay by March 01, 2024. Be sure to include an assembly report form with the essay.

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TIPS FOR MEDALLION AND PLAQUE AWARDS

PROCURING THE SCHOOL'S HELP TO HONOR THE STUDENT

HIGH SCHOOL

1. Guidance counselors should be contacted no later than December 1.
2. Information on the program should be made by face-to-face conversation and never by phone. A phone call should be made in advance to set up an appointment with the guidance counselor. You should not go to the school unannounced as this may lessen the chance of the school being receptive to the medallion award program.
3. JROTC teachers are as a norm subjected to rigid training in military etiquette and an unannounced visit will turn them away before you start.
4. Chairman should be well versed on the medallion program and the reasons for wanting to present them. He should be able to tell the person visited about the program and subsequent presentation in as short a time as possible.
5. Chairman should make sure that the person he talks to is the one who will complete the form and get it back in a timely manner. It is suggested that the chairman contact this person a week or two before the February 1 deadline to remind him of the award.

COLLEGE LEVEL

1. Professor of Military Science should be contacted no later than December 1 about the program. Most colleges and universities are aware of the program and await its arrival.
2. Since we have changed the procedure by using an application for the award, it will be the Chairman's responsibility to contact the PMS and apprise him/her of the change and ask that the form be used in lieu of the normal letter that has been used in the past.
3. For new colleges and universities there should be a good promotion made by the chairman so that the PMS realizes we are presenting a very prestigious award.
4. Professors change nearly every year and it is advised that a phone call be made early to get an appointment.

PRESENTATIONS

The recommended procedure for presentation is for the presenter to be accompanied by one or more Sir Knights dressed in full uniform. A prepared presentation should be used commemorating the award and the activities by which the recipient was selected. This information can be obtained from the application for the award. The presentation should be as short as possible. The presenter should ask the emcee or the instructor for allotted time. During presentation of the college level ROTC award, after presenting the award the presenter should step back and salute the recipient. The presenter should always indicate that the award is coming from the Knights of Columbus and why.

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HIGH SCHOOL MEDALLION AWARD

PURPOSE: The District of Louisiana Fourth Degree has as its prime objective, the promotion of *Patriotism* to our youth. To promote these ideas, the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus of Louisiana has minted a beautiful medallion for presentation for those who display and exemplify *Patriotism* in their every day lives.

We further believe that unless we promote *Patriotism* to our youth, then we may have youths becoming adults who do not have just knowledge of our country's *Patriotism*. The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus of the District of Louisiana is anxious to teach the ideas of *Patriotism* through the **LOUISIANA MEDALLION PROGRAM**.

CRITERIA FOR RECEIVING THE HIGH SCHOOL MEDALLION

1. Be a graduating Boy or Girl Senior Student (**one recipient per school**).
2. Be exemplary in his or her academic endeavors but does not have to be in top of the class.
3. By his or her nature, be endowed with the fraternal spirit conducive to love of God and Country.
4. By his or her conduct, be exemplary beyond doubt at home and at school.
5. By his or her daily actions, demonstrate his or her love for our Country.
6. Denote some specific Patriotic trait of action in his or her daily life.
7. Be parentally devoted and Christ-like in his or her behavior.

NOTE: EACH SENIOR CLASS TEACHER OR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR SHALL BE GIVEN A COPY OF THESE CRITERIA ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION FOR SUBMITTAL OF THE CANDIDATES NAME AND OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED ON THE APPLICATION.

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HIGH SCHOOL MEDALLION AWARD APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION

RECIPIENT'S NAME: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL: _____

LOCATION: _____

PRESENTATION DATE: _____ TIME: _____ PLACE: _____

PRESENTATION LOCATION: _____

PERSON TO PRESENT AWARD: _____

REASONS FOR SELECTION: (USE PAGE 17, FOR MORE THAN ONE NAME)

ASSEMBLY NAME: _____ NUMBER: _____

ASSEMBLY ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NO. HOME: _____ OFFICE: _____

NOTE: TO TEACHER OR GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM IN ITS ENTIRETY AND RETURN IT TO THE ASSEMBLY PATRIOTIC CHAIRMAN NO LATER THAN **FEBRUARY 1, 2024**. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN NOT BEING ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR ORDER BEFORE IT IS NECESSARY FOR YOUR PRESENTATION!

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HIGH SCHOOL JROTC AWARDS

PURPOSE

To acknowledge the **Patriotic** attributes of the high school JROTC student who best exemplifies a **Patriotic** approach to his or her mission as a high school JROTC cadet. The Knights of Columbus believe that those persons who are taking military training whether it is on the high school or college level should be recognized for their efforts.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF HIGH SCHOOL JUNIOR CADET FOR HONORS

High school must be a recognized school with an accredited JROTC program. Selection of the winner is to be made by the Teacher at the school and the application shall be made on the proper form and returned to the Assembly Patriotic Chairman no later than March 1st.

1. Junior boy or girl shall be selected by the Teacher/Professor based on Patriotic endeavors and not by grades alone.
2. Recipient should be one who directly influences others to live by a patriotic code of ethics.
3. Recipient shall be selected prior to March 1 and his or her name is to appear on the form to order the Medal.

NOTE

MEDAL IS ONE THAT HAS A RIBBON FOR PINNING TO THE UNIFORM AND SHOULD BE PRESENTED ON THE PARADE GROUNDS OR THE ASSEMBLY CENTER AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

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HIGH SCHOOL JROTC MEDAL AWARD APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION

RECIPIENT'S NAME: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL: _____

LOCATION: _____

PRESENTATION DATE: _____ TIME: _____ PLACE: _____

PRESENTATION LOCATION: _____

PERSON TO PRESENT AWARD: _____

REASONS FOR SELECTION: (USE EXTRA SHEET IF NECESSARY)

ASSEMBLY NAME: _____ NUMBER: _____

ASSEMBLY ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NO. HOME: _____ OFFICE: _____

NOTE: TO PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE OR PROPER EDUCATOR

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM IN ITS ENTIRETY AND RETURN TO THE ASSEMBLY PATRIOTIC CHAIRMAN NO LATER THAN **FEBRUARY 1, 2024**. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN NOT BEING ABLE TO FULFILL YOUR ORDER BEFORE IT IS NECESSARY FOR YOUR PRESENTATION!

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PATRIOTIC AWARDS FORM

ASSEMBLY

NAME _____ **NO.** _____

ASSEMBLY ADDRESS _____

_____ **ZIP** _____

DIOCESE _____

DATE OF REQUEST _____

AWARDS

High School Patriotic Award

Number of Medallions Ordered _____

JROTC/ROTC Patriotic Awards

Number of Medals and Ribbons Ordered _____

High School/JROTC/ROTC Certificates

Number of Certificates Ordered _____

Signature of Faithful Navigator _____ **Phone** _____

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RECIPIENT'S NAME, ADDRESS AND SCHOOL

1- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

2- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

3- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

4- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

5- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

6- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

7- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

8- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

9- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

10- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

11- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

12- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

13- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

14- Name _____ Address _____
School _____ Date of presentation _____ Time _____

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COLLEGE LEVEL ROTC AWARD

PURPOSE

The presentation of this prestigious plaque, medal and ribbon to a junior cadet at the college level is done so to accentuate the achievements of the cadet. The plaque is of Knights of Columbus design and truly depicts the admiration the Fourth Degree has for the recipient's patriotism to our country. The Knights of Columbus Fourth Degree further their promotion of this meritorious award by furnishing the college or university with a 24-place permanent plaque to be displayed in the Military Science building for displaying past and present recipients' names.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF COLLEGE LEVEL ROTC AWARD

1. The Professor of Military Science shall make selection.
2. Recipient must be engaged in academic study at a recognized college or university with an accredited ROTC program.
3. Recipient should be a junior during the receiving year.
4. Recipient must be selected for their achievements on a **Patriotic** standard above and beyond all others.
5. Recipient does not necessarily have to have the highest G P A in the class.
6. Professor of Military Science must name the recipient and return the completed form no later than **February 1, 2024**.

NOTE

PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE MUST BE GIVEN A COPY OF THIS CRITERION ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION FORM ON OR ABOUT JANUARY 1 FOR PROPER TIME FOR THE SELCTION TO BE MADE. ALL STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES ARE PRESENTLY EMBRACING THIS PROGRAM WITH GREAT PLEASURE.

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COLLEGE LEVEL ROTC PLAQUE ORDER FORM

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION

RECIPIENT'S NAME: _____ RANK: _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY: _____

LOCATION: _____

PRESENTATION DATE: _____ TIME: _____ PLACE: _____

BRANCH OF SERVICE: _____

PERSON TO PRESENT AWARD: _____

REASONS FOR SELECTION: (USE EXTRA SHEET IF NECESSARY)

ASSEMBLY NAME: _____ NUMBER: _____

ASSEMBLY ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

ASSEMBLY CHAIRMAN'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE NO. HOME: _____ OFFICE: _____

NOTE:

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND RETURNED TO THE ASSEMBLY NO LATER THAN *FEBRUARY 1, 2024*. THE FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR SHALL USE THIS FORM TO ORDER THE PLAQUE DIRECTLY FROM THE **DISTRICT PATRIOTIC CHAIRMAN**. THE PLAQUE WILL BE DELIVERED IN TIME FOR THE PRESENTATION.

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SAMPLE PRESENTATIONS

HIGH SCHOOL MEDALLION AND CERTIFICATES

The District of Louisiana Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus and the (name of Assembly) are proud to award this medal to (name of recipient) for your achievements and your patriotic endeavors. Your peers have selected you as one who clearly defines the importance of **Patriotism** in your everyday activities. We, the Patriotic Degree of the Knights of Columbus sincerely trust that your personal convictions and beliefs have been portrayed to your fellow classmates in such a manner as to charge them with the will to make **Patriotism** a way of life.

HIGH SCHOOL JROTC CERTIFICATES

Worthy Cadet (name of Cadet), the District of Louisiana Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus hereby present to you this medal emblematic of your contributions to your classmates and school in the realm of **Patriotism**. Your peers have selected you as an outstanding cadet who has through your high school years performed in a patriotic manner signified by your actions for God and Country. Let this medal be your reminder that there are those who have died so that you and your classmates may enjoy the freedom of receiving an education without the fear of reprisal. Wear it proudly.

Salute

COLLEGE LEVEL PRESENTATION CERTIFICATES

Worthy (name and rank of recipient), as you stand here today, your mind may be on thoughts of what the future holds. Your peers have no doubt you will succeed in whatever your chosen field will be. They have been assured by your contributions to your classmates and your unit that you will succeed in whatever you attempt. The District of Louisiana Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus and the (name of the assembly) on recommendation of your peers hereby present you this medal, ribbon, and plaque emblematic of your accomplishments. We commend you for your patriotic attributes and beg you to continue to display them for the entire world to see.

Diocesan Coordinators & District Chairman 2022-2023

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