

Youth Buddy Poppy Mid-Winter Display Contest

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The purpose of this contest is to promote community involvement and promote the meaning behind the Buddy Poppy. This is an opportunity for our VFW and Auxiliary members to connect with our public and private and homeschools while sharing the story of the Buddy Poppy and what it represents and why it is important while promoting patriotism in our classrooms. The contest is for grades K-12 broken down into four divisions. The display entry can be submitted by a class, whole grade, art class, etc. The entries shall be sponsored by a VFW Post and or Auxiliary.

- **Divisions for the contest**

- Division 1: Kindergarten – 2nd Grade
- Division 2: 3rd Grade – 5th Grade
- Division 3: 6th Grade – 8th Grade
- Division 4: 9th Grade – 12th Grade

- **How to get information for contest**

- Forms can be found on vfwwi.org under the Buddy Poppy tab to share with local schools.

- **Who would pay for the displays?**

- Each VFW and Auxiliary that chooses to work with a class and submit an entry would be responsible for acquiring the Buddy Poppies used in the display. If further supplies are needed, please assist participants.

- **Due Date for Displays**

- Displays need to be set up the first day of the Mid-Winter Conference, with the winners being announced at the Mid-Winter Conference Banquet.

- **Prizes for the winners**

- The top 3 in each division will receive a certificate. The 1st place winner in each division will receive a pizza party (or equivalent) paid for by the Department of Wisconsin VFW. The post who sponsored the winning display would also be encouraged to participate in the pizza party along with the students.