



Illinois State Organization
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
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The Youth and Teacher winners being honored at the Illinois DAR State Conference on Saturday, April 25, 2026 (DoubleTree Hotel, Bloomington), are as listed below:

American History Essay Contest, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades—**State winner Grades 5-8**
American History Video Contest, 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades—**State winner Grades 5-8**
American History, Patriots of the American Revolution DAR High School Essay—**State winner**
DAR Good Citizens, **District winners and State winner**
DAR Scholarship, **District winners**
General Henry Dearborn Scholarship, **State winner**
Outstanding American History Teacher, **State winner**
Outstanding Youth Veteran Volunteer, **State winner**

The chapters sponsoring any of the above winners will be notified by the State Historian or by the State Chairman of that contest. The chapter chairman should invite and encourage their winner/s to attend the Youth Awards Luncheon so that they may be honored. **It is the responsibility of the chapter to pay for the meals for the winner and parents/guests.**

Only the above winners will be recognized during the luncheon program. Chapter winners should be recognized by the chapter.

Registration for the luncheon and meals for winners and their guests will be completed via RegFox (online) registration. Information on this registration will be sent out via an Illinois VIS message. Note that when the State Conference registration page is posted, the Youth Luncheon will not be completed via the regular DAR Daughters registration link but will be on a link specifically for the Youth Luncheon. Each person attending the luncheon must have a separate registration (there is an additional registration prompt at the end of each registration form). Daughters may sign up for the Youth Luncheon via their normal Daughter's registration.

Each chapter sponsoring a winner is responsible for obtaining a DAR Photo Release form (<https://www.dar.org/system/files/members/darnet/forms/NSDAR-1000.pdf>) for each persons being awarded. The chapter should maintain this form in their files but advise the Youth Day Coordinator that they have obtained the form.

Each chapter should also complete the Youth Day Awards Luncheon Information form and return it via email to the Youth Day Coordinator.

The chapters sponsoring winners are responsible for coordinating arrangements for the award winner and family/guests attending the Youth Day events. **ALL winners, EACH family member, teacher or administrator attending the Youth Day Luncheon MUST have a paid luncheon reservation by the date indicated on the Luncheon VIS notification.** If you have any questions about the Youth Awards Luncheon, please contact the Youth Day Coordinator.