



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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DAR GOOD CITIZENS PROGRAM OVERVIEW



The DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is intended to encourage and reward the qualities of good citizenship. The program is open to all senior class students enrolled in accredited public or private secondary schools in good standing with their state boards of education or a recognized accrediting organization such that a General Educational Development (GED) test is not required to receive a high school diploma. United States citizenship is not required. The student selected as the school's DAR Good Citizen must have the qualities of:

Dependability:	truthfulness, loyalty, punctuality and being worthy of trust
Service:	cooperation, courtesy, and contributing to the welfare of others
Leadership:	personality, self-control, ability to assume responsibility, ability to inspire others, and a decision-maker
Patriotism:	devotion to and support of one's country, supporting service members and veterans, working for causes that make one's community stronger, and appreciating the cultural and historic importance of America's unique population

Each school may, however, use a method of its own choice. **Only one student per year may be honored as a school's DAR Good Citizen.** Each school's DAR Good Citizen receives a DAR Good Citizen pin, certificate and wallet recognition card. This student is eligible, if he/she wishes, to enter the DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest. (If not included, the contest forms and instructions may be obtained from the contact person listed below.) The DAR Good Citizens scholarship contest consists of two parts.

Part I consists of the student describing how they have manifested the qualities of a good citizen. This part may be completed at home and is to be submitted together with a **grade transcript** and **two letters of recommendation**.

Part II is a timed essay to be administered under the supervision of a faculty or DAR member. It must be completed at one sitting, within a two-hour time limit, and without assistance, using only a dictionary. Each contest entry is evaluated by independent, non-DAR judges. The winning entry is advanced through state, divisional and national levels of judging.

DAR Good Citizens who enter the scholarship contest are eligible for the awards beyond the chapter level. Each state winner receives an award in the amount of at least \$500 and a special state DAR Good Citizens pin and certificate. Each of the eight division (multi-state groups) winners will receive a cash award in the amount of \$1,000. A national winner will be invited to Washington, DC to attend Continental Congress and will be awarded a \$10,000.00 scholarship, an inscribed silver bowl and a certificate.

DAR CONTACT

- The opportunity to participate in the DAR Good Citizens program and scholarship contest is extended and sponsored by _____ Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

- For further information, please contact the DAR Chapter Good Citizens committee chair _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

or the DAR Chapter Regent _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Completed DAR Good Citizen entry due to the local DAR chapter by _____

Submit ALL DAR Good Citizen award / scholarship contest entry papers ONLY to the DAR chapter Good Citizens Committee chair. Please retain copies of all pages of the entry before submitting to the local DAR chapter contact person.