Sons of the American Revolution Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award Sponsoring

SAR Chapter and State Society
Instructions (Effective for the 2024 Contest
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Effective for the 2023 contest year, the award now includes a middle school contest and a high school contest. Chapters and State Societies may submit applicants for each educational level. The State Society winners will be submitted to national and will be considered as finalists for the three national history teacher awards.

SAR Chapter Instructions:

After the SAR Chapter has chosen its Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award winner, the Chapter must then email the application and required documents to the State Society American History Teacher Award Chairman. Please save a copy of the application for future review. Each State Society may determine its own internal deadlines for the submission of the chapter winners to the state society. Please confirm this deadline date with the State Society American History Teacher Award Chairman.

Please check the box on the application for the appropriate educational level at which the applicant teaches, i.e. middle school or high school. If parts of the application are handwritten, please be sure the writing is legible, particularly phone numbers and e-mail addresses. The teacher must apply for the award with a Chapter and State Society in which the school he or she teaches is located. If the State Society where the campus is located does not have an active American History Teacher Award program, then the applicant may submit an application through any adjoining State Society.

SAR State Society Instructions:

After the SAR State Society has chosen its Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award winner, the society must send the application and required documents by email to the SAR Education Director. Please complete and save a copy of these forms for future review. All the required forms and documents must be received by the SAR Director of Education at education@sar.org no later than February 10th. Please note that this is a mandatory deadline.

Since there are two contests conducted under the award there may be state winners in each educational level. There may be a middle school and high school contest winner from each state or the state may only submit a winner in one school level.

Notifications:

The winners will be selected at or around the time of the Spring Leadership Meeting. The names of the winners will be publicly announced at the Annual Congress, however in order to facilitate the winning teachers taking early advantage of the educational opportunity, the winners will be notified as soon as the decisions are made. The notifications will be made to the chapter and state

society points of contact as well as the winning teachers but it is hoped that this will be kept confidential until the public announcement at Congress.

Please email the completed Dr. Tom & Betty Lawrence American History Teacher Award application form (including all other required documentation) to education@sar.org.