

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS DEPARTMENT NORTH CAROLINA
BUDDY POPPY PRINCE AND PRINCESS

Rules for contest (2023-2024)

1. Contest is open to all boys and girls, ages 4 thru 8 (by 1 January 2024.)
2. Each Post and/or Auxiliary's sponsoring a Buddy Poppy Contestant should supply the following information on the application:
 - a. Contestant's full name & age
 - b. Contestant's Parent/Guardian name, address and phone number.
 - c. Contestant name of school.
 - d. Sponsoring Post/Auxiliary name, number, and contact information.
 - e. District number of the sponsoring Post/Auxiliary.
 - f. Recent photograph of contestant (Put contestants name on the back of photo. Do not attach photo to entry. Photo will be removed prior to judging).
 - g. Contestant's participation in the Buddy Poppy program.
 - h. Contestant's participation in patriotic, and community activities.
 - i. Original Application with signatures.
3. Posts shall sponsor this contest within their local community. They will attempt to recruit contestants within their own Posts and Auxiliaries. It is preferable to have contestants that actively assists Post and Auxiliaries with Buddy Poppy drives and other programs and events.
4. Poster Requirements
 - a. Each poster shall have a patriotic drawing that depicts the Buddy Poppy. Each poster must include at least one **RED** Buddy Poppy and shall be on 8 ½ X 11 drawing paper.
 - b. Contestants may depict the Buddy Poppy in any type of scene they would like to create. The United States Flag may be used as part of the poster. (US Flag code shall not apply)
 - c. Posters will be judged using the following criteria: artistic ability, neatness, Patriotic Activities and Community Service.
 - d. The poster shall be the work of the contestant only. Art allowed shall be watercolors, crayons, pencils, color pencils, and markers. No Pre-Printed coloring pages of any kind accepted.
5. Post/Auxiliary entries should arrive at the Department Chairperson's Post by Monday, January 9, 2024. Entries arriving after that date may not be considered for the competition. Each Post / Auxiliary should have a Buddy Poppy Contestant entry. A boy and/or girl (Prince/Princess) entry forms' will be judged on the Department level.

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6. Department winners of the Prince/Princess Contest will receive the Title of Buddy Poppy Prince/Princess, crowns and a monetary award. This will be presented at the Winter Council of Administration in February 2024.
7. The Department will furnish, one (1) night hotel stay (host hotel) and Three (3) banquet tickets to the Winter Council meeting for the Department winners and their Parents/Guardian.
8. Winners will be notified by the Department Buddy Poppy Chairperson.

For Additional information, please contact the following:

VFW Department of NC, Buddy Poppy Chairperson: Laronia Neu (6018), buddypoppy@vfwnc.com, Cell phone: 910-578-9479, 1416 Darby Drive, Raeford, NC 28376

VFW Auxiliary Department of NC, Buddy Poppy Chairman/VFW National Home Chairman: Angi Hardy, angihardy@yahoo.com, Cell phone: 910-322-6478, 52 Monarch Ct, Cameron, NC 28326



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Application 2023-2024

Please Print Clearly

Sponsors Information:

Post Name: _____
Post Number: _____
District: _____
Post/Aux Address: _____
Post/Aux Contact Name: _____
Cell Phone#: _____

Contestants Information:

Full Name: _____
Age: _____
Date of Birth: _____
Parents or Guardian Name: _____
Address: _____
Cell Phone#: _____
Name of School Attending: _____

List the Contestants participation in the Buddy Poppy Program (use additional paper if needed):

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Note: Application must be completely filled out. Must include essay entry and photo. Please see Rules for Contest for essay topic.

Post Commander Name and Signature

Auxiliary President Name and Signature

VFW Buddy Poppy Chairman Name and Signature

VFW AUX Buddy Poppy Chairman Name and Signature

