



J/ROTC AWARDS PRESENTATION

Presentation of AMVETS J/ROTC Medal and Certificate:

- Wear distinctive AMVETS clothing, with the current logo.
- Award presenters are usually seated facing the students and public. If seating is unassigned, pick a front row seat, look sharp and remain alert.
- At your turn to present, the following sequence is recommended.
 - Read from the prepared script (following).
 - As the student/cadet approaches the podium, continue to speak.
 - At the end of your remarks, present the medal and certificate to the cadet. Have it in your left hand, facing the audience, and reach under it to shake hands. Hold the pose long enough to allow pictures to be taken.
- When the ceremony ends, go directly to the cadet and his family. Someone will have a camera. Offer to pose with just the cadet, then again with his/her entire family, and any other photo requests. Remember, this is a special occasion so be prepared to give some final congratulatory comments to the cadet and his family.
- Before you leave, be sure to seek out the military science professor/senior instructors or the event coordinator, and thank them for allowing you to be there.
- Having your own camera is highly recommended but if you did not bring one, please make certain to request a picture.

(SUGGESTED SCRIPT FOLLOWS)

SCRIPT FOR J/ROTC MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

Thank you and good evening. My name is _____ and I'm a member of AMVETS, one of the nation's premier veterans service organizations. This afternoon/evening, I'm proud to be representing local post _____, the Department of _____ and our National Commander.

AMVETS has been a leader since 1944 in preserving the freedoms secured by America's Armed Forces. AMVETS mission is two-fold: first, providing support for veterans and the active military in obtaining their earned benefits, and second, reaching out to local communities through our programs, such as the (Junior) ROTC medal program.

I'm very proud to introduce Cadet _____, a young citizen who is being recognized here. (Cadet's first name) _____, would you please come forward and join me at the podium? And if (Cadet's first name) _____'s parents or guests are here, would you please stand to be recognized? Thank you.

(Repeat for additional awardees)

AMVETS Junior ROTC and ROTC medals and certificates are authorized by Army and Air Force regulations. While no regulations exist for Navy or Marine Corps ROTC units, AMVETS also recognizes these branches. The award consists of a medal pendant and ribbon bar. One cadet from each detachment is recognized annually.

Few would deny that America's future will one day be in the hands of today's youth, including those present here this evening.

Consequently, AMVETS is very proud to be a small part of this outstanding youth development program known for fostering good citizenship and preparing them for what lies ahead.

Those selected must demonstrate a positive attitude toward the (Junior) Reserve Officers Training Corps, demonstrate a neat personal appearance, demonstrate outstanding personal attributes, have attained a grade of "A" or its equivalent in (Junior) ROTC during the most recent grading period, and be in good academic standing in all other course work.

Cadet(s) _____ has/have demonstrated diligence in the discharge of his/her/their duties and is in good standing in all areas of his/her/their scholastic and military responsibilities.

Cadet(s) _____ is/are a great example(s) of the young Americans our country desperately needs to provide leadership for both our military and the private sector. I know that his/her/their instructors, family, friends and community are already very proud.

On behalf of the AMVETS National Commander, it gives me great pleasure to present Cadet _____ with this AMVETS medal and certificate.

(Repeat for additional awardees)

Congratulations and thank you for the opportunity to be a part of this special occasion.